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Playground of dreams



Homedale mother works to make Sundance kid-friendly

Homedale resident Toni Kelly is trying to raise money to build a playground at Sundance Park. As shown in this illustration featuring a possible model of equipment — which Kelly said would cost \$9,150 — the location is in foul ground next to Field 1 of the softball complex. "Due to the layout of the soccer fields and the slowpitch fields on the park, this is really the best option," Kelly said. Submitted photos

Mom reaches back for playground impetus

Toni Kelly is taking a page out of the playbook of a woman

she watched as a child growing up in Home-

Kelly,whose husband Todd is a member of the city rec



board, has Toni Kelly

taken it upon herself to build a

playground at Sundance Park.

The Homedale native said the inspiration came after a conversation with other mothers who have children in the rec ration Bette was from when I programs.

"We all agreed we need a playground," Toni Kelly said. "We said, 'We need a Bette Uda.'

"We were talking about it, that the time we were growing up Bette was an advocate for youth in the community."

Toni Kelly graduated from

Homedale High School in 1985, one year after her husband received his diploma.

"As I think of what an inspiwas growing up, you can look around town and see as a small community that doesn't have a lot of income, you can see so many needs," Kelly said.

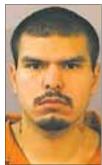
Uda helped with several community projects, and took a big interest in the annual

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Man held for murder after release on plea

A Nampa man who allegedly shot three people in Nampa on Dec. 9, killing one man and injuring two women, was released on his own recognizance from the Owyhee County Jail less than a month earlier after pleading guilty to a felony charge of eluding a police officer.

Manuel Avila, 20, is currently housed in the Canyon County Jail. He is charged with first degree murder, aggravated battery, use of a firearm during a felony, and probation violation after the early-morning shooting on Dec. 9 in which Mario Gonzalez, 26, of Nampa was killed and 18-yearold Nampa residents



Manuel Avila

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Wilson geared up to lead Homedale

Harold Wilson stands on the threshold of becoming mayor of Homedale with many of the same ideas his predecessor had cleaning up downtown and making the streets literally safer.

Wilson takes the oath of office at 6 tonight during the first regular City Council meeting of the new year. Councilmen Eino Hendrickson and Aaron Tines also will start four-year terms.

Wilson said he has had no contact with Paul Fink — the man he is replacing — about the job ahead of him. But he looks forward to accepting the role.

"I'm feeling great about it," Wilson said of the job that awaits

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New leaders ready for challenge Smart development, openness on agenda

New Homedale councilmen take oath at tonight's first meeting of '08

After two months of preparation, Homedale's newest city councilmen say the best way to move the town forward is to establish priorities and protocol.

Since being elected to office in November, Eino Hendrickson and Aaron Tines have done more research to become acclimated to the jobs that they will assume tonight during the first city council meeting of 2008.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and will feature the inauguration of Hendrickson, Tines and Mayor Harold Wilson.

Although it's unlikely a lot of city business will get done as the Paul Fink administration gives way to Wilson's regime tonight, Tines and Hendrickson both know that there is a lot of work that needs to be done quickly, particularly in setting down a uniform and clearly defined process for development in town.

"Down the road, we just got to make sure that we get a process that when someone has development that they know what process to go through so we're not helter-skelter forcing them to go do one process before the first step needs to happen," Hendrickson said.

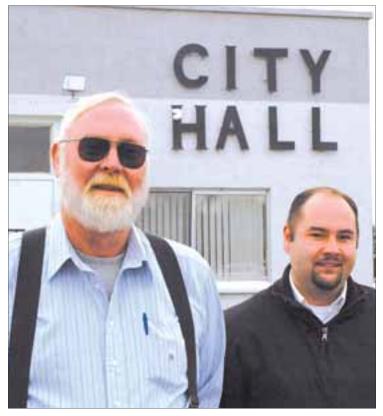
"Down the road" to Hendrickson is within the first year of his fouryear term on the council alongside Tines and holdovers Dave Downum and Tim Downing.

"It should start with the city clerk," Tines said of the protocol for developers. "She can either set an appointment with the building inspector or tell (the developers) what they need to do."

Hendrickson said the abortive attempt to develop the seven acres of land southeast of Homedale Municipal Airport is a perfect example of both the lack of protocol and priorities in the city government.

"We were getting the cart before the horse," he said. "It seemed like a little too much of the good ol' boys system. It was easier for some people to get things through than others. One thing government needs to do is, whether you're well-liked or not, if you go through the process you should be allowed to work with the city."

Tines echoed the general sentiment of openness in the city, which seems to be a common theme among all three new additions to the Homedale council. Wilson has



New era begins tonight

First-term Homedale city councilmen Eino Hendrickson, left, and Aaron Tines, will take the oath of office tonight at City Hall. The meeting starts at 6 p.m.

said he will strive to be more open with residents as well.

"There needs to be open communication between the public and City Hall, the Planning and Zoning board, police department, fire department (which isn't a city agency) or any organization that has to do with city functions," Tines said.

"No one should be afraid to come and ask our advice or give us feedback."

Part of a solid communication process, Tines said, is hiring a full-time building inspector. Homedale is without a full-time inspector at the moment, but Dave Freelove is filling in temporarily until a licensed inspector can be hired. The previous building inspector — Mike Millward — left the job in October after he failed to get certified.

Smart development and planning for the future seemed to be a common theme when the two new councilmen sat down to discuss the challenges ahead.

"We're at a point now where we can be proactive as far as monitoring our growth and keeping up with upgrades," Tines

Hendrickson said discussions with fire district officials had uncovered concerns that new development has adequate access and the right size water pipe to maintain fire suppression capabilities in new subdivisions.

Tines suggested a code book for builders and a handbook on when and how to get permits from Planning and Zoning would be two ways to improve communication between City Hall and developers.

"People should be able to go to City Hall — one location — and get a checklist for everything that they need." Tines said.

Hendrickson also said that the city needs to continue to be proactive about growth and that the infrastructure needs of any future development should be paid for by the developers, not with bonds such as were passed for the water and sewer upgrades.

"I don't want to see the people who are already here — some on fixed incomes — to have to pay double or triple because we didn't do our work of staying ahead."

Overall, though, the men said controversy swirling around attempts to get King's Discount Stores and other businesses to snap up acreage near U.S. Highway 95 has eclipsed more pressing social issues in town.

"We're not taking care of our kids as we should," Hendrickson said. "There are not enough things for them to do."

Tines and Hendrickson both said that the city's parks need to be upgraded to become more "user-friendly."

A group of Homedale residents are in the process of developing a plan to do more for the children, Tines said, such as upgrading the parks and the town's swimming pool. Toni Kelly, a Homedale mother of three, continues to seek grants to build a playground at Sundance Park.

The two newest councilmen also said that the city should work with other agencies — such as the Owyhee County Waterways Commission — to develop the area around the Homedale boat dock now that that part of the Snake River has been dredged.

Hendrickson anticipates the revamped council getting a lot of work done in several areas. He also thinks the panel will be proactive on many issues.

"I think the council will be more cohesive," Hendrickson said. "I don't think we'll all agree, but we will come out with a consensus vote that makes sense and move on."

Tines also said that he felt the council has been susceptible to leaving business unfinished in the past.

"We're getting too many irons in the fire to be able to complete a task and move on," Tines said.

But Tines said the council shouldn't be afraid to table an issue to get more public input or make the right decision.

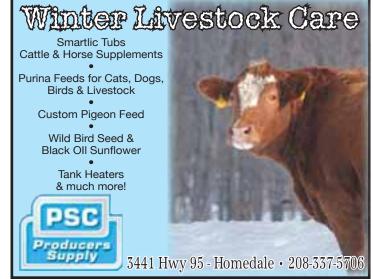
"Everything should be in the best interest of the city," he said. "If we don't have answers, we should go to the people. And if we have to table it, we should table it."

Tines also said issues could be addressed in a timely fashion by having the right folks — such as city attorney Michael Duggan for legal questions and Planning and Zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem for zoning queries — at the meetings when items in their purview are on the agenda.

Overall, Tines said the new administration will strive to do what's right by the citizens it serves.

"Hopefully we can help the city the best we can," Tines said. "I think the city will be happy with the crew that's on board."





NEW LEADERS READY FOR CHALLENGE GV mayor, Green wants to expand city limits

GV mayor, council take oath tonight

Paul Spang begins his second term as Grand View mayor tonight with two new faces and two holdovers on the city council.

Spang and councilpersons Marie Hipwell, Patricia Beaman, Opal Ward and Bill Lawrence will take the oath of office at 7 tonight.

Three of the four were elected in November's balloting. Lawrence was picked to succeed Linda Lewis a week later after Lewis told the council on Nov. 14 that she would be unable to fulfill her four-year term.

Ward was appointed to finish the term of Rodger Dillard last fall.

Of the new council members, only Beaman will serve a fouryear term. Although Lewis was elected to a four-year term, state law requires that any council appointees can serve only two years. Thus, Lawrence's position will be up for re-election in 2009.

Three of the new council members have previous experience with the monthly gatherings at City Hall. Hipwell, like Ward, served on the Grand View Water and Sewer Association Board of Directors before assuming council positions. Lawrence and Spang also served on the board.

Beaman, the daughter of former Grand View mayor LeRoy Beaman, will serve four years.

Ward and Hipwell were elected for two-year terms.

The biggest issue facing the council is the continued fight to finance arsenic removal from the municipal water system. In November, voters rejected bond measures to finance the water improvement project and consolidate the water and sewer association with the city council.

Spang also has said that the posted speed limit at the intersection of Idaho highways 78 and 51 also is a bone of contention for the city.

"We'd like to get that speed limit lowered if we possibly can," Spang said.

The intersection is within the city limits, but the state has set the speed limit at 45 mph. Spang said he'd like to see the limit at 35 mph. In the least, he'd like to see some traffic controls set up.

"It really is a safety hazard up there," the mayor said. "We've got so much farm traffic."

Spang also said that even when harvest traffic has subsided that the stretch of road is dangerous because of truck traffic heading toward the US Ecology hazardous waste site.

Spang said the city tried to get the speed limit lowered a few years ago, but the Idaho Transportation Department ruled that 45 mph was a safe speed.

Marsing mayor-elect Keith Green aims to continue the city's infrastructure improvement, accelerate the pace of that improvement, and increase the city's tax base during his first term of office, which officially begins tonight.

The mayor-elect becomes Mayor Green when he is sworn in tonight at Marsing's first city council meeting of 2008. The tenures of city council members Stella Bush and Marie Herman also officially get under way at tonight's meeting.

Green, 41, brings the localissue familiarity of a lifelong area resident to the mayor's office. He says that with the exception of a few years spent in Caldwell, he has lived in Owyhee County or the Sunnyslope area across the Snake River all his life.

Green said that to begin with, he wants to see Marsing continue down the path that it is currently on.

"I think that the last couple years they have been going in the right direction," Green said. "Don Osterhoudt has done well. The superintendent, Danny Martin, I think he does a good job. He keeps guys moving along well."

At the same time, the mayorelect hopes to move in that direction a little more quickly.

"They've been moving in the right direction," Green said, "it's just been slow going. I just don't know why it has taken so long to get things moving.

"The water system, the pressurized system, it's just been kind of a stalemate, I don't know why. But, I've also learned that there are so many rules that as a government entity you've got to follow compared to a private enterprise."



Mayor-elect Keith Green

Green and city council newcomers Bush and Herman recently attended a seminar for newly elected local Idaho officials. Green said that it was basically an introduction for the newly elected, which focused on resources available to office-holders, and what kinds of things local politicians could and could not do.

"Mostly what you can't do," Green said.

The two main goals Green said he would like to see accomplished in his time in office are the completion of the water system improvements and the expansion of the sewer system. He said that whether Marsing will be able to make sewer improvements within his first term depends upon what kind of funding the city will be able to secure in the coming four years.

"The goals are to get this water system done and to figure out how to expand the sewer system so that we can take in more of a tax base so we don't have to pay so much," Green said.

"We can get the water system to where we can expand, which is the whole process we're going through right now, but the city itself is still stuck with the sewer system not being able to expand any. The sewer is at its maximum according to DEQ, so in order to expand that, it's got to be changed to a different system eventually."

Green said that the city must expand to meet the demands of internal growth and the growth of the surrounding area. Green said that it makes sense to annex surrounding areas that use Marsing's infrastructure but pay taxes to Owyhee County.

"I think that Marsing is ready to go forward and take the next step of moving the boundaries out to expand the city," Green said. "I would like to do anything that will increase profits, which includes annexing the (Labor Camp) area which actually pays property tax. That would form the base of some revenue that the city should have.

"As the whole Sunnyslope area expands and they widen the road to Nampa, we're going to have more and more people. You can see it out by Givens Hot Springs. That is also an impact area for us, and it's expanding big-time out there.

"We have a very small city limits. The city alone is about 800, but if you add up the surrounding area that impacts us, that's across the river and all other sides, you're looking at 4-, 5-, 6,000 people that impact Marsing."

Green feels that the county satellite office should remain in Marsing, on the grounds of location and cost.

"I think that the Marsing location is a little more centrally located to the further away people in the county, like Bruneau or Grand View or even Murphy people," Green said. "You're adding miles to go to Homedale, and it doesn't make all that much sense to do that to all the other people of the county.

"The old building that they are looking at here is set up so that it wouldn't take much remodeling. The cost would be much less than for a new building. I would like to see it stay in Marsing.

"There was also mention of the Sheriff's substation moving over there, which makes no sense to me either seeing as how Homedale has its city police. Why do they need a flagship for Owyhee County out there? The City of Marsing is the only one that has a contract with the sheriff's office."

Green pointed out the fact that response times would likely be slower if deputies began responding to calls in Marsing from a base in Homedale.

"I have spoken to Dick (Freund) about it a little bit, and I told him that I'd like to see it stay in Marsing," Green said. "I actually had the mayor-elect (of Homedale) call me with his opinion that it should be staying in Marsing."

— RTH





P&Z amendments for Silver, zoning draw big interest

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission has a full plate at its meeting today in Murphy.

P&Z board members will hold four public hearings, including two that have drawn a considerable amount of interest, according to Planning and Zoning Department administrator Mary Huff.

The afternoon session of the hearing, which begins at 10 a.m. inside the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse, will be devoted to proposed amendments to county ordinances pertaining to zoning, subdivisions and the Silver City Historic

Hearings held before lunch pertain to the construction of a second dwelling on farm property on Succor Creek Road outside Homedale and a time-extension request by developers of adjacent subdivisions near the Snake River south of the Walter Ferry's Bridge.

At 1 p.m., the commissioners

will reconvene for a hearing on proposed amendments to the county ordinances governing zoning and subdivisions.

A 3 p.m. hearing is scheduled for amendments to the county zoning ordinance pertaining to the Silver City Historic District.

The Silver City Historic Preservation District Commission has proposed the following amendments:

- Provide the purposes of zone HD, which has been established for the historic district around the old mining town.
- · Provide the manner in which the purposes shall be implemented.
- · Establish a certificate of appropriateness, which must be issued before any conditional use permit for the historic district is issued. Standards to follow in considering a CUP for the district also will be outlined.
- Set the allowed uses for the district, including permitted and

Vandals strike again



Graffiti mars high school and local businesses

Homedale Police are investigating the above graffiti, which occurred at Homedale High School on Dec. 29. Homedale Realty and Idaho Pizza were also vandalized in the same incident. Homedale Police Cpl. Perry Grant said that November and December saw an increase of graffiti in Homedale, and that police in November had used photographic evidence to arrest five of six juveniles responsible for a string of graffiti vandalism incidents. Grant said that anyone who discovers graffiti on their property should contact the police before painting over the damage, because photographic evidence can be used to tie incidents together when arrests are made.

Problems discovered in Murphy water tank

An inspection of Murphy's water tank found bubbles in the epoxy finish of the lower portion of the tank.

The tank, which holds drinking water for the county seat, must be drained in order for the repair work to be done, and the procedure could take up to 10 days in warm weather, according to county clerk Charlotte Sherburn.

The Owyhee County Board of

Commissioners learned at its Dec. 17 meeting that the City of Weiser has a 65,000-gallon tank that it may donate to Murphy while the repair work is completed.

According to Sherburn, when the commissioners learned of the flaw, they instructed Murphy's water maintenance personnel to contact the Idaho Rural Water Association to look into available repair alternatives. Idaho Rural

Water informed Murphy about the available tank in Weiser.

The commissioners are looking into the logistics of moving the tank from Weiser to Murphy, and how the new tank will fit next to the existing one, but no decisions have been made as yet.

According to Virgil Leedy of Idaho Rural Water, the tank offered up by Weiser is 18 feet tall and 20 feet in diameter.

Read all about it in the Avalanche!



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Playground: Two local grants will make future applications attractive

International Smorgasbord that raised money for the Homedale School District.

Kelly said she knew that a playground was needed at the city's largest park.

"I'm a mother of three and my husband coaches our oldest daughter's (softball) team, so years and years of experience of chasing kids around the park," Kelly said of the ultimate impetus to start her crusade.

"I looked around and saw a lot of moms chasing their children."

Toni and Todd Kelly have two daughters, Raven and Shyanne, and a son, Fletcher.

Kelly reached out to Uda in September when she decided to try to bring a playground to Sundance back

The advice that came back: Get grants.

"She helped me get the first grant and helped me get more money than I asked for," Kelly said.

Kelly has secured a \$1,000 grant from US Ecology, the company that runs the hazardous waste site in Grand View. She also has been awarded a \$4,000 grant from the Caldwell Community Foundation.

"They have awarded us \$4,000, but we have to prove we can fund the project," Kelly said.

To get the Caldwell Community Foundation grant, Kelly must raise \$5,000 by October.

Kelly said the total price tag to bring a playground to Sundance Park probably will run about \$15,000, including equipment and land preparation.

"We're looking at a basic modular unit that won't need a lot of maintenance," Kelly said. "The idea was to be really responsible with the money we were given."

Donations can be sent to City Hall in care of the project, she said, adding that city staff members Alice Pegram and Marsha Hays have been "amazingly helpful.'

One grant application was rejected, but Kelly said the two grants she has received will make it easier to get a look from the Hamburger Helper corporate grant program when she re-applies next month.

She also faces July deadlines for grants from the Whittenberger Foundation in Caldwell and any state grant money that's available.

Beyond the money for the equipment, Kelly said she will try to secure volunteer support to prepare the site for the playground. She envisions putting the playground apparatus in foul territory between two softball fields at Sundance Park.

"Now that it is coming to fruition, we need to go to the next step to have those things put in place," she said of the land preparation logistics.

Kelly said she has had an enormous amount of support from the rec board, which is headed by president Shane Brown.

Another rec board member, Brad Dines, is also a parent whose children utilize the recreational opportunities at Sundance. Dines' family spends about four nights a week at the park during the rec season.

The Chamber of Commerce vice-president and treasurer said he is impressed with Kelly's effort to bring a playground to the park.

"I think it's great," Dines said. "I think, one, it's going to be great for children to have a place to play up there and it will add to the assets of Sundance Park.

"It'll be more pull for people to go to tournaments up there, and to have families go up there as a place to go. It will just add to the draw of Sundance.'

Kelly said she hopes to have

the playground in place by the time the 2009 rec league season begins.

"The intent is to get something that is just the right size for our community that gives the kids that aren't playing in games something to do," Kelly said.

She also has other visions for other recreational areas in Homedale, including giving the swimming pool at Riverside Park a makeover and updating the playground equipment at City Park, which has been in use at least since she was a kid.

Even though she has taken a comparable interest in the youth of Homedale, Kelly brushes off any comparisons to Bette Uda.

"Grand aspirations to be like Bette never crossed my mind because those are shoes that are just too big to fill," Kelly said. "But if I can do my part that would be enough."

— JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Plea:}}$ Prosecutor waives \$250,000 bond as part of Nov. 9 plea bargain

Adrianna Garza and Anjelica Main Street Martinez were wounded.

Avila was arrested in Marsing on Oct. 25, after leading Homedale Police officers and Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies on a chase that reached speeds of up to 110 mph.

The pursuit began after Avila was stopped in Homedale for investigation of violation of a no contact order after he allegedly kicked out the window of his girlfriend's car. The chase ended on

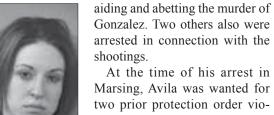
in Marsing when Avila lost control of his car and crashed into a truck.

Donah Schirripa, who according to Nampa Police is Avi-



Donah Schirripa la's girlfriend, is also being held in

Canyon County Jail, charged with



arrested in connection with the At the time of his arrest in

Marsing, Avila was wanted for two prior protection order violations. He was booked into Owyhee County Jail in Murphy on a \$250,000 bond, charged with four counts of violating a no contact order, one count of eluding an officer, and one count of driving without privileges.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks said in an e-mail that on Nov. 9 "Avila pled (guilty) to a Felony offense of Eluding a Peace Officer. The maximum penalty he faces is up to five years in the penitentiary and up to a \$50,000 fine."

According to the prosecuting attorney's office, Faulks agreed to a stipulation from Avila's attorney that the 20-year-old be released on his own recognizance prior to his sentencing.

Avila's \$250,000 bond was waived, and the prosecutor also agreed to dismiss the other charg-

Avila is scheduled to be sentenced on Friday for the felony eluding and a misdemeanor charge of violation of a no contact

Avila was arraigned on the Nampa charges on Dec. 10 and was denied bail.

— RTH

Homedale: Like Fink, Mayor-elect Wilson has sidewalks on his mind

him. "The city workers have been real good to me.

"I can work with them, but not the big administrator (Fink). There has been no communication between the former mayor and myself."

While late last year the city put on hold a plan to secure a grant for revitalization. Wilson said last week that he would be in favor of razing buildings on Idaho Avenue as part of improving downtown.

'We need to get more buildings in town tore down, and if we need an ordinance to get them torn down we should pass it," he said.

The incoming mayor, who shares the same passion for revitalization that Paul Fink has, couched his suggestion later.

"Maybe not torn down," he said, "but if there is a building that needs to be torn down, do it. And get some cleaned up.

"We should revitalize by getting a building or two out. I don't want to name the buildings right now because there are people in there right now."

Wilson's push to improve

Homedale's aesthetics also includes adding sidewalks in areas that don't have them now as well as setting a uniform width for the city's streets.

Wilson said he didn't have a firm idea of what the width of a street should be, but he said that a 60-foot width with six feet of sidewalk would be acceptable. He said that residents owning property adjacent to the revamped streets should have land returned to them if the street remodels change their property frontage.

Wilson said he plans to discuss with city attorney Michael Duggan the particulars of passing an ordinance setting a uniform street width.

As for continuing to put sidewalks throughout town, Wilson said a council member dug up an old ordinance requiring that sidewalk construction accompany any extensive remodeling on existing property. Ordinance No. 181 was passed in 1975, but doesn't specifically address the construction of new sidewalks, only the repair and replacement



Mayor-elect would shore up street widths

A woman walks along the south side of West Owyhee Avenue on Friday. Homedale Mayor-elect Harold Wilson wants to make city street widths uniform, and he said that any excess property should be returned to the property owners on the affected streets.

of existing sidewalks.

"We're still working on grants to widen streets or narrow them down and put sidewalks in so the residents don't have to pay for it," Wilson said.

Wilson said he plans to meet with Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, city public works supervisor Larry Bauer and city clerk Alice Pegram to clarify each person's responsibilities in the city government.

"We'll set the priorities straight to who does what, and they're

not going to interfere with the building inspector.

"We're going to get a building inspector that's certified, and (developers) will know where to go when they want something."

Wilson said he will continue to strive for aviation-related development on the seven acres of property southeast of Homedale Municipal Airport, and he also wants to clean up the east entrance into town.

"We need to make the entrance to our city beautiful, and we

already have people working on that," he said.

Wilson said he is relying on city staff to help with the transition because he hasn't been able to chat with Fink.

"I think it's hindered it a bunch, but I haven't felt good about going in and talking to the clerk," Wilson said. "With Alice's help, it's not going to be that bad.

"She's kind of new at it, too, but she's willing to help. It will go smooth."

— JPB

Obituary

Velda I. Finn

Velda I. Finn passed peacefully into the loving embrace of our Lord at 6 p.m. on Christmas Day at OHSU Hospital in Portland, Ore. and was reunited with her beloved husband Ron and her son Gary.

Velda was born April 23, 1927 in Idaho Falls, Idaho to Albert M. and Golda Camden Stansell. She started school at the Dewey School, a small country school, with her older sister Rita as her first grade teacher. She remarked many times over the years how confusing it was to her as a small child to have to call her very own sister "Miss Stansell" when she was at school but, when they got home, she could call her Rita.

She moved to the Homedale area with her family when she was entering the eighth grade and later graduated from Homedale High School in 1945. Velda was a good student, especially excelling in all courses relating to bookkeeping and business. She recently commented that, with her entry into school in Homedale all those years ago, there have been Stansell children in the system continuously since that time! While in high school she enjoyed playing basketball and always wished that the girls' team could play full court like the boys. She was quite pleased in later years to see the change in attitudes towards women's sports which allowed them to more fully participate, unlike when she was growing up.

Growing up on a farm, the youngest of five children, she was very content to be the "tom boy" of the family, enjoying nothing more than working outside with her dad and brothers, driving the tractor, helping to stack hay, or other needed farm chores. She always said that, even though the farm work was hard, she was glad to have two older sisters who helped with the cooking and

cleaning so she could be outside.

Following high school Velda enrolled at the College of Idaho. On Jan. 3, 1946, she married her high school sweetheart, Ron Finn, when he was home on leave from the Army and they later became the parents of two children, Teri and Gary. The Finn family lived in Homedale for a number of years while Ron taught school.

While living in Homedale, Velda began working part-time for Dr. George Wolf as the office receptionist and bookkeeper when both of her children were in school. She worked in that capacity until the family moved to Twin Falls in 1958. Velda worked doing bookkeeping at Young's Dairy in Twin Falls until 1971 when she and Ron moved to Boise. A short while after the move to Boise, Velda began working in the office of the Idaho Education Association, later becoming the head bookkeeper for the Association and working there until she retired. Following her retirement, she soon un-retired and worked part-time for Bill Corbett, CPA for several years, a job she truly enjoyed. She retired for a second time and, even though she was offered employment opportunities several times, she chose to stay retired and enjoy her home, family, and

One of Velda's greatest pleasures in life was the many long-term friendships she made over the years and spending time with her large extended family. She maintained close contact with friends from high school as well as the many friends from her professional life, near and far. She wrote lovely letters and, in the new electronic age, was again a willing student, learning how to use e-mail to keep in touch with many of her far-away nieces and nephews. Every summer

Velda's home was the magnet that drew family from far and near for family gatherings. She made sure that no summer ever passed without most, if not all, of the family getting together for a big potluck dinner and lots of reminiscing, laughter, and renewal of family ties.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Teri and Jim Lupoli of Salem, Ore.; daughterin-law, Sharleen Finn of Roseville, Calif.; two grandsons, Paul and his wife Evie Amos of Tigard, Ore. and Randy Amos of Lahaina, Maui; three granddaughters, Rachel Finn and Laurie Finn, both of Mesa, Ariz. and Jennifer Finn of Roseville, Calif.: and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Gary, on Sept. 28, 1988, by her husband of 53 years, Ron, on May 7, 1999, and her parents.

No funeral services will be held at this time, however, a public memorial service will be scheduled for late spring of 2008. An additional announcement will be provided for publication nearer the date of the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Velda's honor to either the Idaho Education Association Children's Fund, PO Box 2638, Boise, ID 83701 or to OHSU Hematological Research (for leukemia research), 3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Rd., MC UHN73C, Portland OR 97239.

"The best things in life are the people we love,

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Velda's family would like to thank everyone who helped make her life rich with love and full of wonderful memories. Her final arrangements are under the care of Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service, 605 Commercial St. SE, Salem, OR 97301, (503) 364-2257.

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The Ownhee Avalanche

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Jan. 9: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, churro, milk.

Jan. 10: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 11: Hot ham/cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 14: Weiner wrap or chicken bacon melt, mac & cheese, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispy bar, milk.

Jan. 15: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 16: Chicken patty or rib-b-que sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, cake, milk.

Homedale Middle

Jan. 9: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turnover, milk.

Jan. 10: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, bread stick, milk.

Jan. 11: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Jan. 14: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Jan. 15: Fish nuggets or mini corn dogs, rice, fruit & veggie bar, brownie milk

Jan. 16: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Jan. 9: Lasagna, burrito, pizza hot pocket, French bread, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 10: Chicken patty, hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, sherbet cup, milk.

Jan. 11: Crispito, rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 14: Pepperoni pizza, nachos, chef salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Jan. 15: Chicken nuggets, egg rolls, rice pilaf, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, fortune cookie, milk.

Jan. 16: Idaho haystack, burrito, pizza hot pocket, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Marsing

Jan. 9: Tacos, veggie, fruit, milk, pizza, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan. 10: Chili, fruit, milk, beef nuggets, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan. 11: Hot dogs, veggie, fruit, sub sandwiches, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan. 14: No school.

Jan. 15: Chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie, milk, tacos, salad bar 4th-12th, cinnamon twist.

Jan. 16: Texas fries, fruit, milk, chicken patty/bun, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Bruneau

Jan. 9: Chicken nuggets, tots, veggie, fruit, French bread, milk.

Jan. 10: Burritos & salsa, Spanish rice, veggie, fruit cup, milk.

Jan. 11: Hamburger/bun, fries, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

Jan. 14: Chicken patty/bun, tots, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

Jan. 15: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, roll/butter, apple crisp, milk.

Jan. 16: Ham, scalloped potatoes, veggie, roll/butter, fruit, milk.

Senior menus

Marsing center

Jan. 9: Lasagna, green salad, squash, garlic bread, soup, dessert, beverage.

Jan. 10: Roast beef, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, soup, dessert, beverage.

Jan. 14: Breakfast to order.

Jan. 15: BBQ pork spare ribs, baked potato, green beans, peach jello salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

Jan. 16: Salisbury steak, potatoes & gravy, winter blend vegetables, cabbage salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

Homedale center

Jan. 12: Beef burritos, refried, beans, rice, beverage.

Jan. 13: Sausage & biscuits, country gravy, carrots, beverage.

Jan. 14: Baked fish, baked potato, carrots, roll, beverage.

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The Ownhee Avalanche

Your finances

Advisors suggesting debt to build credit history are just lazy

Dear Dave,

I'm single and 30, and I want to know how I can build a credit history in order to get a home loan. I've never had any kind of payments or debt, but a mortgage broker said that in order to get a loan or be pre-qualified I'd have to pay extra since they'd have to do my credit report manually.

— Nancy

Dear Nancy,

You need to get a new mortgage broker, because this guy's just plain lazy.

Most underwriters just pull it off a FICO score, and that's based on whether or not you have debt and a long credit history. If you don't have a big credit history they actually have to look at the paper with their eyes and study it for a few minutes. That's what "manually" means. It's not like they have to dig a ditch or something.

Even if all you've ever done is pay your rent on time or early, you have a credit history — and a GOOD one. You don't have to run up a bunch of debt to have a credit history. I've even heard these people say that you need to have a car payment and several credit cards just to have a credit history and have a shot at a home loan.

Here's something to think about, Nancy. If you have several credit cards — even if they're all zero balance and you've paid everything on time or early — it counts against you when you try to get a mortgage. And any decent underwriter would realize that a person in that situation was an accident looking for a place to happen!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are both 22, and we've been thinking about going back to school. We work at the same company, and our employer is willing to pay for nine credit hours per semester for each of us. But if we take more than nine hours they won't pay anything. Our parents think we should get student loans, so that we can take more hours and get our degrees faster, but they've never been great with money. What do you think?

— Jack

Dear Jack,

I'm sure both of your parents are good people. And I know they don't mean any real harm. They're just being normal, but in today's culture normal is broke. They've probably been around student loans, car payments and credit cards all their lives, and that's sad.

You and your wife have great opportunities staring at you. I mean, how many times does someone offer to pay for your de-



gree with no financial strings attached? You couldn't take much more than nine hours per semester and still work a full-time job anyway — not and keep your relationship with your wife and your sanity intact!

Go for it, Jack! Go back to school, let your boss pick up the check and NEVER take financial advice from broke people!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm single and earning only \$20,000 a year, but I expect to make \$30,000 next year. Do I really need \$1,000 emergency fund in the bank, or can I get by with \$500? I have about \$38,000 in debt right now, including student loans. I'm just wondering how to keep up with bills while saving money for my starter emergency fund.

— Jane

Dear Jane,

In your situation, you REALLY need a \$1,000 emergency fund in place. I know it will be tough, but that should be your first big goal. If you're not already doing a budget, and spending every dollar on paper before the month begins, start doing it now. It will help you control your money instead of it controlling you, and THAT'S how you can keep up with the bills while you save that first \$1,000.

Here's an example. If you know you'll get two paychecks during the month that are \$750 each, then you go ahead and plan out how you'll spend that \$750 before you ever get it. Take care of necessities first — food, clothing, shelter, transportation and utilities. After that, make sure you're current on your debts. Once those things are out of the way, pump every spare dollar you can from your paycheck into your emergency fund. Keep your spending confined to necessities only!

This is very important, Jane. Do it fast, like in a couple of months. Remember the old saying about Murphy's Law, and how anything that CAN go wrong WILL go wrong? If you keep hanging out with no plan and no fund, Murphy will hunt you down and move into your spare bedroom!

But when you've got your emergency fund in place it can turn life's disasters into nothing but minor inconveniences.

– Dave

Calendar

Today

DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

Homedale City Council meeting, 6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. (208) 337-4641

Marsing City Council meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St. (208) 896-4122

Grand View City Council meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave. (208) 834-2700, Monday through Wednesday

Owyhee Watershed Council meeting, 7 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782

Thursday

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Friday

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program, 6 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520 or (208) 337-3151

Monday

Homedale School District Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

Melba School District Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 4 p.m., district office board room, 600 Broadway Ave.

Tuesday

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., El-Ada Owyhee office, 15 W. Colorado Ave. Homedale. (208) 337-4812

Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:20 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Pure Word recovery meeting, 7 p.m. Snake River Valley Fellowship, call for location. (208) 475-3733

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Wednesday

Bruneau and Beyond speaker series, Margaret Stallknecht of Stallknecht Rock and Gem Museum in Vale, Ore., noon, free, RSVP by Monday, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131 or 345-2345

DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 11 a.m. to noon, Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4812

Marsing Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Essence of Life, 107 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-7001

Thursday, Jan. 17

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893

Senior College Night, 6:30 p.m., Homedale High School cafeteria. (208) 337-4613

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Friday, Jan. 18

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program, 6 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520 or (208) 337-3151

Monday, Jan. 21

Marsing Lions Club monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 896-4204

Tuesday, Jan. 22

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:20 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Pure Word recovery meeting, 7 p.m. Snake River Valley Fellowship, call for location. (208) 475-3733

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Thursday, Jan. 24

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Friday, Jan. 25

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program, 6 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520 or (208) 337-3151

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:20 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Pure Word recovery meeting, 7 p.m. Snake River Valley Fellowship, call for location. (208) 475-3733

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

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Upgrades helped limit wind-related outages

Idaho Power proposes new transmission station near Wilson

Friday's high winds wreaked havoc with Idaho Power Co.'s electricity grid throughout the Treasure Valley.

In Homedale, 132 customers were without power for 63 minutes in the morning in an outage attributed to the wind.

By 1 p.m. Friday, Idaho Power reported 40 outages throughout the valley, according to company spokesman Russ Jones. About 2,500 customers, mostly in Canyon County, were affected by the blackouts.

The only area in Homedale affected by the outage was on the west side of town from Idaho Avenue south to Market Road and from Johnstone Road west to Homestead Road.

Jones said that system upgrades, such as the work done along West 1st Street in Homedale recently, help with the reliability of the electricity transmission system.

"We have 99.9 percent reliability," Jones said.

But he said the upgrades help increase capacity, which could



Wind-whipped

The large American flag atop Vance Dairy Construction on West Idaho Avenue was thrashed by winds Friday.

improve that reliability even in a

"When we replace equipment,

a lot of times we're upgrading the capacity," he said. "And sometimes you'll have stuff that will just wear out and needs to be replaced, and that would have a good effect on the reliability of the system."

Jones said that Idaho Power has committed \$100 million to system-wide upgrades.

Idaho Power also is proposing the construction of a transmission station about a half-mile southwest of the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson fire station.

The utility will hold an open house at the Wilson School House at Wilson Creek Road and Idaho highway 78 from 5 p.m. to 7

p.m. on Tuesday to address the proposal.

Idaho Power said that the Hemingway Transmission Station is necessary because the Treasure Valley electricity demand increases by about 50 megawatts each year. According to a handout distributed by the company announcing next week's open house, that's an increase in power needs of a city 21/2 times the size of Homedale each year.

The Hemingway station will convert electricity and send it to the Idaho Power substation in the Canyon County community of Bowmont.

— JPB



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County fair goes for love and memories

As the Owyhee County Fair prepares to move forward with an overdue expansion of the livestock barn, the fair's manager is looking back.

Spurred by memories of her own childhood fair experiences as well as feedback from today's 4-H clubs, Kelly Haun has come up with an Old Fashioned Love-A-Fair theme for the 2008 fair, which will be held in Homedale in August.

"This was the them in my hometown when I was a fourthgrader for my first experience in my old county fair with 4-H'ers," Haun said.

Haun said the decoration possibilities are broad with such a theme, which gives Owyhee County 4-H clubs — as well as whoever decides to participate in the parade — wide berth when coming up with an interpretation.

"It's something that they like to know as soon as possible so they can start formulating ideas," Haun said.

When Haun was a fourth-grader participating in the Clackamas County Fair in Canby, Ore., she decorated her livestock stall with hearts for the Love-A-Fair theme

But the theme also can be interpreted as a chance to reminisce about past fairs, not just beef up your Valentine's Day designs

To that end, Haun is looking for old photos or newspaper clippings from Owyhee County fairs goneby. She wants to use vintage photos in the fairbook, and also is optimistic to find a piece of cover art for the annual book.

"It would be great if (a submitted photo) had an Owyhee County Fair sign in the background," Haun said. "We've been restricted (in the past) to clip-art and this and that because (the book) is a low-budget-type of deal."

Anyone who wants to loan photos to the fairbook can contact Haun at bkrhaun@msn.com or leave a message on the fair office voicemail at (208) 337-3888.

Haun also reported that the fair board has received two sealed bids and an additional inquiry about the construction of the livestock barn.

The bids will be opened when fair board members attend the Feb. 11 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners in Murphy.



Fair theme takes historic perspective

Owyhee County Fair secretary Kelly Haun peruses archives of The Owyhee Avalanche for ideas on how to promote the theme of the 2008 fair in the fair book.

— JPB

High Court won't force Idaho to release Hoffman

The Idaho Attorney General's office anticipates that convicted Owyhee County killer Maxwell Hoffman will be resentenced by an order from the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

At the behest of the AG's office, the U.S. Supreme Court set aside the ruling of the Ninth Circuit that had ordered the State of

Idaho to either release Hoffman or offer him a plea agreement that he had rejected prior to his 1989 trial. The Ninth Circuit's ruling came in the wake of Hoffman's appeal of his conviction based on ineffective assistance from his defense attorney.

Hoffman was sentenced to die after a Canyon County jury convicted him of the 1987 murder of Denise Williams in Owyhee County.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ordered District Judge B. Lynn Winmill to dismiss Hoffman's claim of ineffective assistance, on which Winmill had ruled in favor of Hoffman.

"The decision entered by the Supreme

Court today vindicates our decision asking that the Ninth Circuit's decision be reversed," Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden said on Monday.

Wasden, who has expressed interest in running for the U.S. Senate, was Owyhee County prosecutor at the time of Hoffman's trial

Homedale grad earns UI degrees

Leslie Lyn Marston, a 2003 Homedale High School graduate, graduated from the University of Idaho last month with two

Marston, who is the niece of Deb and Dan Marston and the granddaughter of Bill and Mary Marston, earned degrees in Political Science and Crime and Justice Studies during commencement exercises in Moscow on Dec. 8.

Bruneau library starts speaker series again

Margaret Stallknecht, vicepresident of the Mountain Homebased Eureka Rock and Gem Club, will serve as guest speaker next Wednesday as the Bruneau Valley Library kicks off another Bruneau and Beyond lunchtime series.

Those planning to attend must RSVP by Monday.

The free presentation at the library, 32073 Ruth Street in Bruneau, begins with lunch at

noon, followed by Stallknecht's presentation. She also owns the Stallknecht Rock and Gem Museum in Vale, Ore. Stallknecht moved to Oregon after more than 25 years in the Mountain Home area.

The speaker series is open to the public, but RSVPs are required to ensure enough food is prepared. RSVP to library director Clara Morris by Monday at either (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345.

Wednesday morning in Owyhee County



That's when the Owyhee Avalanche hits the news stands



County cattle firms listed on Angus report

Three Owyhee County cattle producers recently were listed in the Spring 2008 Sire Evaluation Report published by the American Angus Association in Saint Joseph, Mo.

Each of the following producers owned one bull listed in the report:

- C & D Angus Co., Grand View
- Colyer Cattle Co, Bruneau
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The new report features the latest performance information available on 5,299 sires, and is currently accessible at www.angussiresearch.com. Performance reports are issued in both the spring and fall.

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Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) are generated from the performance database of the American Angus Association, which includes information submitted by nearly 9,800 Angus breeders this past year through the association's Beef Improvement Records (BIR) program.

EPDs are listed for growth,

maternal and carcass merit. Decision-making tools also include seven \$Values in the suite of bio-economic indexes designed to assist commercial producers in simplifying the genetic selection process. In addition, the Spring 2008 Sire Evaluation Report includes research Docility EPDs and Heifer Pregnancy EPDs for sires meeting accuracy criteria.

The semi-annual analysis for the Sire Evaluation Report contains more than 15 million measures used to generate more than 42 million EPDs for the Angus breed.

The American Angus Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo., provides programs and services for more than 36,000 members nationwide and thousands of commercial producers who use Angus genetics. Go to www.angus.org for more information.

Comments still taken on all- hazards plan

The deadline to submit public comments on the county's draft Multihazard Mitigation Plan is approaching.

Public comment on the document must be submitted by Jan. 18.

Copies of the plan are available for review at the city halls in Homedale and Marsing, Owyhee County offices in Murphy, Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View and The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale.

Comments should be sent to Tera King of Northwest Management, Inc., the Moscow-based company that helped the county come up with the plan.

King can be reached at Northwest Management, Inc., P.O. Box 9748, Moscow, ID 83843 or by e-mail at king@consulting-foresters.com.

Homedale Chamber sets elections Thursday

Officer elections for 2008 will be held Thursday during the Homedale Chamber of Commerce's noon luncheon at the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant.

Gavin Parker has served as Chamber president since February, and Brad Dines has sat as vicepresident and treasurer. Robin Aberasturi has been secretary in place of the elected Tami Steinmetz, who resigned about halfway through her term because of a change in her job.

The floor will be open to nominations during the meeting, Parker said.

More discussion of the Chamber's Homedale map concept and the joint Web site venture with the City of Homedale also will be on the agenda.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Hemingway Transmission Station Project

INVITATION

Tuesday, Jan. 15 5 to 7 p.m. Wilson School House Wilson Creek Road and Hwy. 78

The Treasure Valley electric load increases by about 50 megawatts annually. That's equal to adding a city more than two and one-half times the size of Homedale to the valley each year. Under present conditions, Idaho Power's transmission capabilities to bring power into the Treasure Valley occasionally reach full capacity.

In order to continue to provide reliable electric service to Treasure Valley customers now and in the future, Idaho Power has a responsibility to plan and construct transmission facilities.

The proposed Hemingway Transmission Station project, located approximately one mile southwest of the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire Station, will allow Idaho Power to convert 500-kV electricity to 230-kV electricity for transmission into the Treasure Valley from Hemingway to Idaho Power's Bowmont Substation in southern Canyon County.

The purpose of this open house is to share our plans with the public for the proposed project. Visitors are encouraged to ask questions and share comments.

For more information about the open house, please contact any of the following individuals:

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Marsing Chamber ready for monthly meeting

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce's January meeting is next Wednesday, when members will hear a presentation from Nampa Chamber of Commerce CEO Georgia Bowman-Gunstream.

Bowman-Gunstream was set to address Marsing's Chamber in November, but cancelled.

The meeting takes place at 7 p.m. at the Essence of Life on Main Street.

The Marsing Chamber is in a new state of infancy after a period of inactivity, while the Nampa Chamber is a mature and robust entity. Marsing Chamber members are hoping that Bowman-Gunstream will provide some insight into how the Marsing Chamber of Commerce can best boost the membership and effectiveness of its organization.

The timing of Bowman-Gunstream's presentation seemingly could not be better. It comes on the heels of the cancellation because of a lack of response of a Chamber-sponsored holiday celebration, and the less-successfulthan-anticipated food drive on County Hug Day.





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Nazarenes' Argentina mission ready for takeoff

Mountain View group will be on hand for dedication of training center near Buenos Aires

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene never has sent missionaries overseas before. The church picked a great time to send two dozen members to South America this week.

As part of the Extreme Nazarene Argentina project, Pastor Chuck Ryan and about 20 others will depart for Pilar, Argentina, on Thursday and Friday to help in the construction of a seminary and 10 churches in an area about 60 miles from the Argentine capital of Buenos Aires.

"We're excited about this," Mountain View missionary president Eula Dunn said. "It's been in the works for about a year.'

The church has raised \$60,000 for the trip, including \$16,000 to help pay for one of the 50 suites that will make up the living quarters for the pastor training facility.

In addition to the training center and other churches that have been under construction for about two years, work is nearly finished on a 2,600-seat community center in Pilar. Dunn said the center will be used for both religious and secular events.

The Mountain View contingent will work in Argentina until Jan. 28, so the missionaries will be on hand when the community center is dedicated on Jan. 27.

Dunn said the Mountain View group is part of about 750 people from 10 countries that make up the latest wave of missionaries to work in Pilar, a city of 230,000 in the Buenos Aires Province of South America's second-largest country.

All of the group will leave from Boise either Thursday or Friday. Some of the missionaries will travel through San Francisco and some through Denver, but all will wind up in Washington, D.C., before heading for Buenos Aires.

The group heading to South America includes:

Pastor Chuck Ryan and his daughter, Jessica, Matt and Kelsey Zimmerman, Jim and Pam Doramus, Jim Dunn and his 16-year-old grandson, Rowdy Lair, Betty and Dave Holton, Les



Argentine convention center shaping up

Argentine workers apply masonry skills to the front wall of the convention center the Extreme Nazarene Ministries group is building in Pilar, Argentina. The center will be dedicated later this month while members of the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene are doing missionary work in the area. Submitted photo

'We are excited about this large group from one of your local churches coming down to join us in the construction and community outreach labor of love.'

> — Valerie Carpenter Extreme Nazarene Ministries

Loucks and his children Kyla, 14, and Les Jr., 12, Patty and Rod Price, Bill Watson, Donna Willard, Lachelle Wood, Jackie Van Es, Mandy Shenk, Brad Hunt and Katie Kimmel.

The missionaries will visit 10 churches in the area to hold services and Bible schools. Pastor Ryan will be in charge of a group of 45 people that will visit one of the church-plants, as Eula Dunn calls them. The group will

worship at the church-plant for two Sundays, with Ryan speaking during the service in the second week.

In addition to the construction work, Van Es, Willard and Kimmel will hop on a plane and travel two hours away to administer medical services to people in the southern part of Argentina.

The Mountain View group will be joined in Argentina by other local congregations, including

Canyon Hill Church of the Nazarene in Caldwell, Nampa First Church of the Nazarene and Boise First Church of the Nazarene.

"We are excited about this large group from one of your local churches coming down to join us in the construction and community outreach labor of love," Valerie Carpenter of Extreme Nazarene Ministries wrote in an e-mail.

The Mountain View trip is possible because of several fundraisers during the past year, including a benefit auction on May 19 and the Family Fair and Roundup held at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale near the end of September.

The church also has put on a Mexican dinner to raise money, and used a weekly soup and bread meal at the church to gather more View's regular Sunday services. funds. The soup and bread is a

regular fundraiser for the church. It starts at 6:15 p.m. Wednesdays, 45 minutes before the church's

Although she won't be making the trip with her husband and their grandson, Dunn also has done her part. She has raised about \$4,600 by selling her home-made quilts during the past year.

"We've had so much enthusiasm over this. It has just been great,"

The Mountain View Nazarenes never have embarked on an overseas work and witness trip, Dunn said. About two years, a group went to Montana to help rebuild a mission church there.

The contingent will return to the area on Jan. 29. A report on the trip, complete with a slideshow and a potluck meal, is planned for Feb. 17 during and after Mountain



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Antelopes step back into batter's box

Baseball ends lengthy absence at Adrian

Preparations continue to bring baseball back as a sport at Adrian High School for the first time in nearly a decade.

First-year principal Kevin Purnell said that the school board was expected to discuss the hiring of a baseball coach at its January meeting. The board unanimously approved the return of baseball during its Nov. 13 meeting. Purnell said baseball hasn't been played at Adrian since 2001.

Purnell, who resurrected the baseball program and coached the sport at Prairie City High School, said that Adrian superintendent Gene Mills came up with the idea of bringing baseball back as a way to get more boys involved in spring sports.

"I think it was just that (officials) looked at it in terms of track doesn't have a lot of boys, and there seems to be some interest in baseball," Purnell said.

According to a petition circulated by athletic director Aimee Goss, as many as 18 boys were interested in the prospect of having a baseball team, Purnell

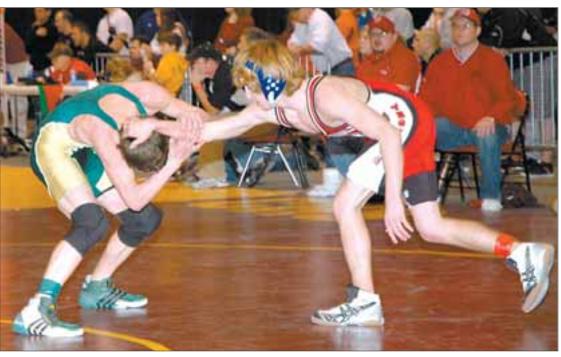
According to reports, school board member Paul Shenk, who also coaches the Adrian football team, sees support in the community for a baseball team. Purnell said another community resident, Ed Price, is "extremely enthusiastic" about the prospect of a high school baseball team.

Price has coached little league and grade school-level baseball in Adrian, and board members stressed the importance of a feeder program to keep the high school team viable for the coming years.

The Antelopes' spring sports program has included softball and track and field for the past few years. When softball was reinstated a couple seasons ago, the baseball field was converted for the girls sport. Purnell said startup money will be needed to turn the softball field into a dualuse diamond for the spring. The prospective Adrian baseball team will compete against 1A/2A clubs such as Pine Eagle, Union, Elgin, Joseph and Prairie City in a full varsity season with a few junior varsity games sprinkled in, the principal said.

Oregon schools kick off baseball practice at the end of

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Homedale's Ensley is runner-up at Rollie Lane Invitational

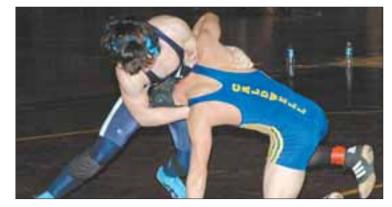
Trojans freshman Justin Ensley defeated Taylor West of 5A Borah 7-5 in the quarterfinals of the 112-pound division at the Rollie Lane Invitational in Nampa. Ensley pushes West's head down early in the match as Homedale coach Toby Johnson looks on. West finished third in the tournament.

Marsing, Homedale meet expectations at Rollie Lane

Homedale High School's wrestling team was looking for a few placers and maybe even a champion or two at the 2008 Rollie Lane Invitational on Friday and Saturday at the Idaho Center in Nampa. The Marsing Huskies were looking for experience and for a couple of their better wrestlers to advance out of the preliminary round-robin pods.

Both teams got what they were looking for, for the most part.

The Trojans did not have



Marsing's Moore places in top eight

Marsing 145-pounder Mike Moore, left, battles a Caldwell wrestler — See Rollie Lane, page 15 on his way to a top-eight finish in Nampa.

Ryska's foul shots keep

JV sets up first-place showdown

Jordan Valley High School fell out of first place in the High Desert League East Division standings during the weekend.

The Mustangs (11-3 overall, 5-1 HDL East) split their league games on Friday and Saturday and dropped a half-game behind Crane (11-2, 5-0) heading into a Friday showdown on the road against Crane.

Jordan Valley lost to HDL West leader Spray, 60-44, on Friday on the Mustangs' floor.

Jordan Valley rebounded to crush visiting Mitchell, 74-32, on Saturday night, but slipped out of first place when Crane beat Ukiah-Long Creek that night.

Spray 60, JV 44

The Eagles took control with a 20-8 opening to the second half Friday as four Spray players — See **Showdown**, page 15

Fillmore scores 16 against Spray Zac Fillmore takes a shot over a Spray defender during Jordan Valley High School's boys basketball loss to Spray on Friday. Photo by Michelle Elsner, JVHS



Trojans JVs unbeaten Shakespeare wrote of the slings up for a 3-point goal attempt as the and arrows of outrageous fortune. buzzer sounded. Parma's Nathan Homedale High School junior Nielsen got a piece of Ryska's varsity boys basketball player

Friday night against Parma. And in end three arrows from Ryska's quiver pierced the Panthers' hopes of ending the Trojans' season-opening winning streak.

Ryan Ryska lived it first-hand

Seconds after the Panthers' Terrell Timmons knocked down two free throws resulting from a foul by Ryska, the Trojans' sophomore guard returned the favor by hitting all three of his foul shots with no time left for a 41-40 non-conference victory that extended Homedale's streak to 10 games.

After Timmons' two free throws snapped a 38-38 tie, Ryska pulled

hand as he shot, and the officials gave the Trojans three free throws with no time on the clock.

Ryska hit the first free throw and then tied the game with his second toss from a free-throw line that was on top of a key devoid of players. Ryska stepped off the charity stripe and roared at his teammates huddled near the bench, but first-vear Trojans JV coach Mark Shafer screamed back for him to keep his focus.

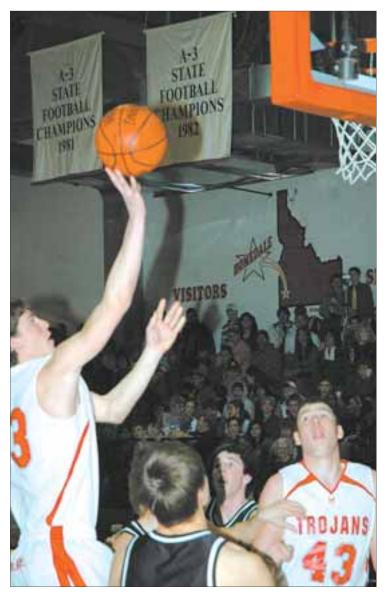
Ryska did just that, rattling in the third free throw to set of a wild victory celebration near the top of the key.

Ryska's clutch free throws marked the last time Homedale

— See **Trojans JVs,** page 14

Sports

Emry's eruption keeps Trojans on top of Panthers



Ferguson controls the paint

Homedale High School's Austin Ferguson scored 10 points with moves like this one in the first half Friday against Parma.

Junior Austin Emry took over us going, and the game in the second quarter, scoring 10 of his game-high 16 points, to help Homedale High School's boys basketball collect a non-conference victory Friday.

The Trojans (7-3 overall through Sunday) rolled out to a dominating first-quarter lead before settling for a 54-44 victory over visiting Parma.

"Austin did a good job," Homedale coach Kenny Thomas said. "Austin was aggressive. We kind of go as he goes. If he's aggressive, then we play well, too. He has stepped up his game in the last couple weeks."

With Austin Ferguson taking the ball to the hoop and Zach Tolmie nailing a pair of 3-point goals from the outside, Homedale rolled out to a 20-6 lead after eight minutes.

"Zach finally hit a couple of shots to get going, which was good to see," Thomas said. "He's been kind of struggling this year. He hit those shots and really got made (Parma defenders) respect our guards."

Thomas said he was pleased with Ferguson's performance, which resulted in 10



Ben Fierro's jump shot with 0.2 seconds remaining in the opening period established Homedale's seemingly dominant advantage.

But the Panthers (1-6 by week's end) roared back with barrage of 3-point goals in the second quarter.

Bryant Timmons, who finished with 15 points, and Travis Kiser hit treys, while guar Rance Portenier drained a pair of 3-pointers to help Parma's 15-9 run to start the second quarter.

The rally cut Homedale's lead to eight points, but Emry's erup-

tion — which included nailing all three free throws on a three-shot foul with 2 minutes, 46 seconds left in the first half — accounted for 10 of his team's 14 points in the final eight minutes before halftime. Behind the 6-foot-1 defending 3A state champion high-jumper, the Trojans stayed in front, 34-26, at the break.

"I thought everyone contributed in the victory, and they all played well and hard," Thomas said. "Hopefully it's a stepping stone for us to play better as we get into league play."

Homedale had won two of its past three games before Monday's non-conference home game against Cole Valley Christian. Results weren't available at press

Homedale kicks off the 3A Snake River Valley conference season Saturday against one of the league's top teams when Fruitland visits the Trojans' gym.

--- JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Trojans JV:}}$ Squad runs record to 10-0

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dodged a bullet in the final nine seconds of Friday's game.

With the score tied 38-38, Parma's Cruz Avila missed both free throws. After Nielsen drew

a foul on the rebound of Avila's second foul shot, Parma got the ball back when Avila tied up a Homedale player with four seconds left to give the Panthers possession.

Timmons drove toward the key with the inbounds pass and made contact with Ryska, who was defending. Ryska was called for the block, setting up Timmons' clutch foul shots.



Game times (unless noted):

Varsity, 7:30 p.m.; Junior Varsity, 6 p.m.; Freshman, 4:45 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, home vs. Marsing Tuesday, Jan. 15 at McCall-Donnelly, 6:30 p.m. (freshman game at 3 p.m.)



Game times (unless noted):

Varsity, 7:30 p.m.; junior varsity, 6 p.m.; freshman, 4:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, home vs. Fruitland Tuesday, Jan. 15 at McCall-Donnelly, 8 p.m. (JV game at 5 p.m.)

Friday-Saturday, Jan. 11-12 at Magic Valley tournament, Wendell





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Game times (unless noted):

Varsity, 7:30 p.m.; junior varsity, 6 p.m.; freshman, 4:45 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10 at New Plymouth Saturday, Jan. 12 at Parma Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. Melba

Game times (unless noted):

Varsity, 7:30 p.m.; junior varsity, 6 p.m.; freshman, 4:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11 at New Plymouth Monday, Jan. 14 at Homedale

Friday, Jan. 11, home vs. Crane and Nyssa JV, 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, home for Marsing Duals, 8 a.m.





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Sports

NC takes advantage of Marsing charity

basketball team visited Nampa Christian on Saturday and came out on the short end of a 55-36 score. While the score indicates a blowout, Marsing had a number of opportunities to be in this game right to the end.

The play in the middle of the court was pretty even. The game came down to who was best able to take advantage of close-in scoring and free-throw opportunities. Nampa Christian held a decided edge in both categories.

The Huskies had 23 opportunities from the free-throw

Marsing High School's girls line, but sank only seven shots. The Trojans, on the other hand, hit 19 of their 26 free throws. Even up the foul shooting, and it is a 55-48 game.

> The Huskies also had numerous opportunities to make shots from within five feet of the basket. More often than not, they missed those shots. On the other end of the floor, Nampa Christian did not have as many lay-ups, but the Trojans made most of the ones they got.

> "We make our lay-ins and our little chippie baskets in the first quarter, and we make our free

throws throughout the game, we win the ball game," Marsing coach Don Heller said. "I told them, all the baskets in the first quarter we miss, they go down and make. We come down and get fouled, miss our free throws, they go down, get fouled, and make their free throws, and it just starts pulling away, pulling away, pulling away."

Heller said that turnovers were also a factor in the game, but that if the free throws and points scored down low in the lane were even, the Huskies likely would have won the contest.

Elisa Moreno scored 16 points for the Huskies, while Amanda Staudenmier and Rebecca Cossel had four points each. Laura Pridgen led the Trojans with 14 points, while BreAnn Downs added a dozen.

Moreno continues as Marsing's scoring machine, averaging 14 points per game on the season. Candy Leon and Cossel are next, each averaging about four points per contest. Moreno also leads the team in assists, with 18, and steals, with 36.

— RTH



Moreno battles Elisa Moreno scored 16 points.

√ Rollie Lane: Huskies out-point larger Emmett, Bishop Kelly at meet

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a championship wrestler, but freshman Justin Ensley finished second at 112 pounds, heavyweight Amador Cortinas finished third, heavyweight Jaime Uriarte earned a top-eight finish, and Frankie Obregon earned a top-16 finish as the team finished tied with Hillcrest High School of Ammon for 15th place in the 43team tournament with 24 points.

Marsing, the only team from the 1A or 2A ranks in the field, picked up quite a bit of experience, and advanced three wrestlers out of the pod round robins. Kris Young earned a top-32 finish at 160 pounds, Chaz Covey earned a top-16 at 152, and Mike Moore earned a top-eight finish at 145.

Homedale coach Toby Johnson said that it is a remarkable achievement for a wrestler to advance beyond the preliminary round at such a premier event, which draws some of the topranked high school wrestling programs in Idaho, Nevada and

"You have to be pretty good just to make it to the second day at this tournament," Johnson said. "Lots of tough kids don't. And, you have to be amazing to have a chance to place. It's not a tournament that's very forgiving of errors."

Johnson said that Ensley is something special.

"Ensley was excellent,"

Johnson said. "He beat some very reputable kids. He had one loss on Friday in the opener and from then on, he was all business. He set the tone in his matches. I think this is a sign of many good things to come."

Johnson also had good things to say about Cortinas.

"Cortinas was impressive, with seven wins and only one loss, in the semis in double-overtime to (Jake) Densley of Centennial, who was second at state (in) 5A last year. Densley won his final by one point. Cortinas also picked up five pins."

For the Trojans, Danny Zenor at 135 pounds, Joe Hernandez at 140, and Rowdy Lair at 189 were within one victory of advancing out of the round robin.

Homedale 152-pounder Ulysses Vargas finished tied with Jake Sundles of Salmon after the round robin, but Sundles advanced because Sundles pinned Vargas in head-to-head competition.

Marsing coach Rick Folwell said that the competition was exactly what he and his team expected. The 2A Huskies have a young team, and learned a great deal by going up against experienced wrestlers from larger schools. Marsing's one team point put the smallest school in the tournament ahead of two larger schools, Emmett and Bishop Kelly of Boise, in the team

Folwell said that the trip to the Idaho Center was also a chance for his wrestlers to familiarize themselves with the venue. which will play host to the state tournament later this season.

Husky Chaz Covey was involved in one of the more unusual incidents at the tournament. In his final match of the round robin, Covey was trailing Joe Drinkwater of Burns, Ore., 14-6 in the third period when Drinkwater was knocked unconscious when his head and Covey's knee crashed together. Covey won the match by injury default to advance to the round of 32.

— RTH

√ **Showdown:** Jordan Valley, Crane battle for HDL East lead on Friday

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scored in double figures.

Josiah Fischer led all scorers with 17 points, and the Eagles also controlled the glass, out-rebounding Jordan Valley, 27-17.

Jordan Valley took 14 fewer shots than Spray (13-1, 6-0 HDL West), and the Eagles hit 25 of 53 attempts.

Zac Fillmore led Jordan Valley with 16 points. Koehl Trautman had 12 points on 6-for-7 shooting, but was unable to get to the foul line.

IV 74, Mitchell 32

Alek Quintero, Fillmore and Trautman scored 14 points apiece Saturday as the Mustangs bounced back with an easy interdivisional victory over the visiting Loggers.

Jordan Valley raced to a 29-8 lead after eight minutes.

throughout the game, firing up 81 shots in 32 minutes. Jordan Valley was 35-for-81 from the floor (43.2 percent). Mitchell turned the ball over 26 times and managed just 44 shots. Twenty of the turnovers came on steals by the Mustangs, including seven by Brandan Mackenzie.

Jordan Valley's dominance spilled onto the backboards as well. Trautman had seven rebounds as the Mustangs held a 42-17

The Mustangs controlled the tempo edge over Mitchell on the glass.

JV: Mustangs win two

After a two-game losing streak at the Husky Holiday Classic in Marsing, Jordan Valley's junior varsity squad has regained its form.

The Mustangs (12-2, 5-0 HDL) remained unbeaten in the HDL by nipping Spray, 56-51, on Friday and routing Mitchell, 32-12, on Saturday.

Antelopes: Principal estimates \$16,000 startup price tag for program

From Page 13 next month.

Although no money has been budgeted specifically for baseball this year, Mills reported to the school board during its Nov. 13 meeting that about \$6,000 would be needed for coach salary and benefits as well as umpires compensation and travel costs. He said that the cost could be absorbed by the current budget.

But Purnell told the board that usable baseball equipment is scarce because of the program's dormancy.

Purnell also put total startup costs at closer to \$16,000, including uniforms, equipment, salary and transportation. He said the bulk of that money needs to be gathered through fundraising.

Purnell's previous experience with rebuilding a program came after Prairie City had been without a team for only one year.

"We played a marathon baseball game to raise money," Purnell said of his Prairie City experience.

School alumni were invited back for the 100-inning game,

and each player brought in sponsorship money, Purnell said. More money was raised with a raffle and barbecue.

The new principal, whose son, Blake, is a freshman at Adrian,

is kicking around the idea of a marathon baseball game pitting alumni and current students as a way to raise money for the new Antelopes squad.

— JPB





Sports

Homedale girls box up win vs. Payette

Jeremy Chamberlain's fears that his Homedale High School girls basketball team might be a tad out of sorts after a two-week layoff proved to be unfounded Friday.

Senior Mandy Brasher led all players with 19 points and nine rebounds as the Trojans pinned a 43-34 3A Snake River Valley conference loss on host Payette.

"This was a great way to open the new year," Chamberlain said. "I was very concerned entering the game after we have had nearly two weeks off that we may be a bit rusty.

"However, the girls responded with one of the best games of the season"

The Trojans (7-7 overall, 2-1 before Tuesday's showdown with unbeaten conference leader

Fruitland) held a 2-to-1 edge on Payette's backboards. Five of Rachelle Christoffersen's eight rebounds were of the defensive variety as Homedale out-boarded the Pirates 21-7 on Payette's end.

"Our defense did a great job containing their big girls and limited Payette to one shot per possession," Chamberlain said.

Homedale steadily built its lead throughout the night. Rachel Wheeler and Christoffersen scored six points each.

Homedale shot 42.2 percent (19-for-45) from within the 3-point arc, and Chamberlain said that helped bridge the offensive gap created by a poor showing from the foul line (6-for-15).

"We worked the ball for good shots and made great decisions with the ball," the coach said.

Triple-double helps Adrian end skid

But Spray's Fischers land win over Antelopes

The Adrian High School boys basketball team returned to High Desert League play with a vengeance Friday night, and so did Kyle Dondero.

Dondero notched a triple-double with 17 points, 11 rebounds and 10 steals as the host Antelopes smacked Mitchell 93-47.

"The boys played a great game tonight," Adrian coach Brent Ishida said. "We were able to get into a transition game early."

The Antelopes snapped a fivegame losing streak. By week's end, though, the Antelopes were 8-6 overall and 2-3 in the HDL East Division.

Dondero led six Adrian players in double figures. The Antelopes knocked down 44 of 75 field-goal attempts (58.7 percent) as Levi Jones scored 15 points, Blake Ishida poured in 13, George Ellsworth had 12 and Blake Purnell and Maurus Hope scored 10 points apiece.

Jones and Hope had five steals apiece as the Antelopes collected a total of 28 thefts.

"We played good defense and were able to anticipate in the passing lanes for steals," Brent Ishida said. "We did a better job on the boards tonight with 42 rebounds."

Adrian's inside dominance was evident in the fact that all but 15 of the Antelopes' points were scored in the paint.

Pedro Motto scored 15 points for Mitchell, which fell behind 23-6 after the first eight minutes and never recovered.

Adrian owned a 67-30 edge when the fourth quarter began.

Spray 69, Adrian 32

The Eagles jumped out to a 28-8 lead after eight minutes, and three players with the same last name accounted for nearly two-thirds of the visitors' scoring in an HDL interdivisional game on the Antelopes' floor Saturday.

Joseph Fischer led all scorers with 17 points for Spray.

"Spray is a very good team," Adrian coach Ishida said. "They are well-coached, and they have some of very talented shooters."

Other Fischers — Josiah with 16 and Nolan with 11 — also helped the Eagles soar.

"When you have so many quality shooters as they do, it makes it hard to defend," Ishida said.

Despite playing hurt, George Ellsworth led the Antelopes with

15 points. Spray shut down the rest of the Antelopes' starters to the tune of five total points.

Pine Eagle 56, Adrian 46

Four players reached double figures Thursday night for visiting Pine Eagle, which owned the second half for a non-conference win on the Antelopes' home floor.

Purnell (21 points, 10 rebounds) and Hope (13 points, 10 rebounds) had double-doubles, but the Antelopes were unable to avoid their fifth consecutive loss.

"Freshman Blake Purnell had a great game starting for injured junior George Ellsworth," Ishida said. "He led the team with 21 points and shot 64 percent from the field."

Hazen Marks scored 18 points to ignite the Spartans' second half. Pine Eagle trailed 23-22 at halftime, but surged ahead in the third quarter.

Jesse Smith added 12 points for Pine Eagle.

Adrian girls still perfect

Terra Rust scored 15 points at home Saturday as the Antelopes remained unbeaten this season with a 67-42 win over Spray from the HDL West.

Adrian (11-0 overall, 5-0 HDL East) hammered Mitchell, 53-19, on Friday

HMS boys basketball sets parents meeting

The Homedale Middle School boys basketball teams are preparing to kick off their Snake River Valley conference seasons and have scheduled a parents meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday inside the HMS lunchroom.

The seventh- and eighth-grade coaches will be on hand for the meeting, which takes place three days before the season openers.

Mark Weekes and Thomas Thomas coach the seventh-graders, while Shari Kirk and Spencer Batt are the eighth-grade coaches.

Parents will receive a copy of the HMS Parent/Coach Handbook for extra-curricular seasons. Updated contact information also will be taken prior to the start of the meeting.

"It is a great opportunity for us to share our mission statement, philosophy and expectations with you," Asumendi-Mereness wrote in a letter announcing the meeting.

Middle school principal Luci Asumendi-Mereness reports a record number of studentathletes participating in this year's program, which is comprised of an A and B team for each grade level.

The eighth-graders open at home on Jan. 17 with games against Fruitland. The action starts at 4:15 p.m.

At 4:15 p.m. Jan. 17 in Fruitland, the Trojans seventh-grade squads challenge the Grizzlies.

The 10-game season lasts through Feb. 21 with the conference tournaments scheduled for Feb. 25-28 in Ontario, Ore., and Fruitland.

JV girls nearly log a shutout

Jordan Valley High School's girls basketball team narrowly missed a shutout Saturday night at home against Mitchell.

Athena Beckwith scored 13 points to lead the way as the Mustangs (8-2 overall, 4-2 league) annihilated the Loggers, 60-2, in a High Desert League interdivisional game.

Mitchell (0-6, 0-6) scored a basket in the first quarter, and never put the ball through the hoop again. The Loggers had a chance to score from the free-throw line in the fourth quarter, but missed the only two foul shots the team got in the game.

Beckwith also grabbed seven rebounds, while Kayla Cuvelier led the Mustangs on the backboards with 12 rebounds.

Annie Mackenzie and Catie Kershner accounted for 10 of Jordan Valley's 27 steals.

Spray 43, JV 35

The HDL West-leading Eagles hit six of 10 free throws in the fourth quarter to keep the Mustangs at bay Friday in Jordan Valley

Beckwith scored all six of her points for the night in the first



Mackenzie can't spark Mustangs

Jordan Valley High School girls basketball player Annie Mackenzie fights to maintain control of the ball during a narrow loss to Spray on Friday. Photo by Michelle Elsner, JVHS

quarter to push Jordan Valley to a 13-12 lead after eight minutes.

Elisa Eiguren took over the scoring load with eight of her team-high 13 points in the second period.

Beckwith notched eight

rebounds and five blocked shots, and Jessie White had eight rebounds. Mackenzie led the defense with six steals.

Jordan Valley committed 27 turnovers.



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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

January 5, 1983

Outpost day plans now underway

Plans are already in the making for the 1983 annual Outpost Day celebration held in Murphy the first Sunday in June each summer. "Members of the Owyhee County Historical Society are organizing an exceptional program this year," according to Roberta Holmes, chairman.

The theme of this year's event will be "Transportation." A few of those who will be participating are Mike Hanley of Jordan Valley with his stagecoaches and wagons, the Union Pacific Railroad and Wells Fargo.

A parade is being planned also for this year with individuals and organizations wishing to fulfill the historical theme invited to take part.

New displays, talents, crafts and demonstrations are being contacted to participate in the program along with many who have taken part in previous years. The Historical Society encourages suggestions as to new interests that may add to the event.

Elementary class learns quilting

Kristi Garrett, room mother for Jan Tuckness' second grade class at Homedale, decided to teach the 26 students the art of quilting. Each child colored a picture, then ironed it onto a square of a large quilt. All helped in tying the quilt. It will be on display in the grade school office for a time, and will be displayed at the International Smorgasbord later this month. Students who worked on the quilt are, Tracy Lambert, Elizabeth Gonzales, Cassie Burke, Joe Ethington, Denise Doughty, Michelle DeLaRosa, Marilee Means, and Angie Garrett.

Kiwanis Cub provides toys

Kiwanis Club of Homedale provided Christmas toys and gifts for a number of underprivileged children of the community. The success of their project was due in a major way to the support of Homedale businessmen, Tom Morris Equipment, Greenway Tractor, Homedale Drug, Homedale Auto Parts, and Owyhee Auto Supply, a spokesman for the club reported this week.

Over coffee...

Judy and Hal Tolmie hosted a party in honor of Steve Heldt, nephew of Lydia Duncan. Thirty people attending included Pete and Lottie Echevarria and Steve's father, Herb Heldt, who is vice president of Polygram Records.

Christmas dinner guests at the home of Judy and Hal Tolmie were Walt and Shirley Law of Denver, Colo; Ada Thomas, Jane and Kenny Ivey and Everette Townsend.

Dave and Elsie Kushlan and family along with John and Wilma Krzesnik and Darren, Paul and Ann and Randy Akichika went to McCall last weekend and stayed at Aspen Village. They went snowmobiling and said the skiing was excellent

Paul Budge, son of Laurence and Linda Budge, is home on two-week leave from the US Navy where he is based in Virginia. He has been in the Navy for one and a half years and recently returned from a seven-month cruise in the Mediterranean Sea near Beirut, Lebanon. Paul said that while on the cruise they are kept very busy and work twelve hours per day.

Jerry Pierce and his daughter, Sonja, of San Jose, Calif., were here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pierce. Jerry is Joe's nephew. Sonja, 17, has been in Australia for the past year as an exchange student. It is summer in Australia now so Sonja had a hard time adjusting to our gelid weather. They left for home on January 1.

Bud and Doris Folger, formerly of Homedale, arrived last Thursday to spend the New Year's holiday with their three boys and their families, Doug and Pam, Mel and Ruth and Gene Folger. Bud manages a Doxol gas plant in Moscow. Ruth hosted a family dinner New Year's Day.

Bob and Helen Davis spent Christmas Eve with Helen's niece, Wanda and her husband, Chuck Maxwell. They had Christmas dinner with Helen's sister, Marge Transue.

50 years ago

January 9, 1958

Trojans outlast Notus 46-41 Saturday; two league games on tap this weekend

The Trojans lost to Fruitland here 41-33 Friday night, but outlasted the Notus Pirates at Notus Saturday night for a 46-41 victory.

The game with the Grizzlies was close all the way with Fruitland on top 16-13 at halftime and 31-27 after three quarters.

Free throws made the difference with Homedale committing 20 fouls and Fruitland canning 13 points from the charity line. Homedale made only four free tosses.

Pat Parker topped the scoring with 20 points, Kershner 3, Jackson 5, Uranga 4, Beagley 5 and Brooks 1.

Sager had 18 for Fruitland, Johanek 1, L. Allen 11, Lloyd 3, J. Allen 2, Barnes 3 and Bennett 3.

The Trojans bounced off to a 15-5 first quarter lead against Notus. The Pirates rallied in the second quarter to gain a 20-19 halftime lead.

It was all even at 33-33 after three periods before Parker and Kershner boosted Homedale to its winning margin in the final minutes.

Parker scored 18 points and Kershner 17, Brandon 3, Jackson 2, Uranga 2 and Beagley 4.

Merritt had 12 for Notus, B. Fivecoat 9, Batzner 8, Bayley 6, and R. Fivecoat 6.

Nearly 4,600 aliens will report addresses in Idaho

District Director James M. Sweet of the Immigration and Naturalization Service estimated today that approximately 4,600 aliens will report their address in the state of Idaho during January under the Federal Alien Address Report program.

The immigration official said that 4,212 aliens reported their address during January 1957.

Mr. Sweet said that all non-citizens, except those in diplomatic status, foreign representatives of certain international organizations, and those admitted temporarily as agricultural laborers, are required to file the address report.

He added that any alien who willfully violates the address report requirement may be fined up to \$200, imprisoned for 30 days, and deported.

In addition, aliens who are not in the United States during January must report their address to the Service within 10 days after their return.

Grocery sold to Lloyd Herods

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Herod have purchased the Cantrell grocery from Mrs. Hattie Cantrell and opened the store January 2 under the name West Side Market.

Mr. Herod plans to move her beauty shop to the store soon where she will operate it at the back of grocery. The beauty shop has been operated by her during the past four years at the corner of Main street and Montana avenue. The Herods will also make their home in the building

Mrs. Cantrell, who has had the store during the past six years, expresses her thanks to the customers who patronized her store and urges continued patronage. She and Mrs. Bea Fessner will continue managing the store for the present.

Mrs. Cantrell recently purchased the St. Clair duplex from William Reimer, and she has moved to one of the apartments.

R. Linebergers attend Bowl Game, parade

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lineberger celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary in a big way last week by attending the Rose Bowl game and parade at Pasadena, Calif.

They also visited with his uncle Stacey McCaul and her brother Ben Scott and their families at Los Angeles, returning home Sunday.

Mr. Lineberger's mother, Mrs. Rachel Hull, Marsing, cared for their children Royce, Patsy, and Lynn at her home in Wilder during their week's vacation.

140 years ago

January 4, 1868

MASONIC CEREMONIES ON ST. JOHN'S DAY. At two o'clock on the afternoon of the 27th of December, 1867, Owyhee Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M., having received a charter from the Grand Lodge of the Territory, and elected their officers for the ensuing year thereunder, repaired to the Court House for the purpose of being constituted into a Lodge according to the ancient usages of the Fraternity. The Grand Lodge represented by Deputy Grand Master, F. E. Ensign; Deputy Grand Secretary, P. C. Learned; Deputy Grand Chaplain, T. J. Butler; Deputy Grand Marshal, R. T. Miller, being present, proceeded to constitute, dedicate and consecrate the new Lodge, assisted by the Owyhee Choir, who sang at intervals appropriate solemn pieces of music. These ceremonies were very imposing as well as unusual, as the only occurrence in the lifetime of a Lodge.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to install the officers elect — a list of whom we published last week. These ceremonies over, Deputy G. M., F. E. Ensign delivered a short but pertinent address to the members of Owyhee Lodge, in which he laid down in plain and unmistakable language the principles and tenets of the Order in all ages and counties, and marked out the path of duty in which Masonry expects all her patrons to walk. Bound to no system of religion, she nevertheless enjoins morality, fair dealing, charity and all the graces that adorn a religious life. Although not a total abstinence society, it is a temperate organization, abhors the drunkard, and teaches men to subdue their passions and keep their desires within due bounds; although there are those calling themselves Masons, who sometimes violate these tenents, in doing so they forfeit the name of good Masons, and lower themselves in the estimation of their brethren. They have no right thus to bring the Order into disrepute, but should rather withdraw from it if they cannot square their lives to its precepts. These remarks he said were not directed to individuals, but were lain principles taught from the earliest ages to the present. After the Address, the choir sang, a benediction was pronounced, the Lodge returned to its Hall, and the spectators (including the IOOF's who were there in a body by special invitation) repaired to their respective homes. A ball in the evening closes the exercises of the day.

PROCEEDINGS OF RAILROAD MEETING. Pursuant to notice a meeting was held in the Owyhee Exchange, Silver City, at three o'clock pm, Saturday, December 18th, 1867, to choose delegates to a Territorial Railroad Convention, to be held at Boise City on the 6th of January, 1868, Judge Gilmore Hays was chosen Chairman and Tho's J. Butler Secretary.

J. H. Watson, W. D. Walbridge, Gilmore Hays, J. A. McQuaid, Tho's J. Butler. W. B. Crane, Tho's Cole, Jr., and R. H. Brown were chosen as such delegates.

On motion of J. A. McQuaid, the delegates elected were authorized to appoint proxies to fill vacancies by a majority of those who do attend.

On motion of W. D. Walbridge, the delegates elect were requested to meet at the store of J. F. Dye & Co. on the 3d of January, at 7 pm.

Gilmore Hays, Chairman. Tho's Butler, Secretary.

LEAPYEAR. But few marriages have been consummated in Owyhee during the last three years, because the young ladies haven't had an opportunity of choosing for themselves, and the right kind of fellow didn't "pop the question" to them. The arrival of '68 has worked a change in matrimonial matters, as will be seen by the end of the year, for the girls can now make their own selection. We'll bet that there will not be a young lady of marriageable age remaining to wish us a happy New Year twelve months hence.

THE MINES. A large body of ore has recently been struck in the Oro Fino, which pans out richer than ever. Very rich ore and plenty of it is being taken from the Poorman mine. The Ida Elmore and Golden Chariot are yielding gold and silver bricks in abundance.

commentar

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



NFR Las Vegas 2007

Hunter S. Thompson, in his book Fear And Loathing in Las Vegas said, "Circus, Circus (a big casino in Las Vegas) is what the world would be like if the Third Reich

Las Vegas is the equivalent of endlessly switching the cable channel on your television anytime between midnight and 2:00am!

Las Vegas has changed rodeo. It has been a great host to the National Rodeo Finals (NFR) since 1985, literally launching rodeo into orbit somewhere between Haley's Comet and Dancing with the Stars! It has also drug us middle-aged and Social Security veterans, who have the most money to spend on Dodge pickups and fancy Justin boots and make up the vast majority of repeat NFR ticket buyers, into the whirlwind world of show business.

Each performance at the NFR begins like the 4th of July and roars non-stop, leaving the audience spellbound, breathless and deaf. When it is over you feel like you've ridden or roped every wild domestic animal that ran, circled or crashed into the arena! It exhausts you. Watching rodeo is not like watching baseball or golf. There are no pensive, thoughtful moments as the steer wrestler ponders the angle of the horns. There are no no-hitters, no left fielders dozing off. Rodeo is more like hockey played with hambones and a whale bladder! Or tennis played with an orchestra and paint gun balls!

But the umbilicus, the life line that holds baby boomers and seniors to the sport and gets them through the roller coaster hyperspace of the Thomas and Mack Arena, is the intimate moment we watch when each competitor puts all they've got on the line. Man touches beast, leather touches hair, silver touches hide. The noise and lights, the fireworks and carnival atmosphere fade into the rafters as we, in our minds, nod our head, throw our rope, rock and fire, turn the barrel, take our dallies and land on our feet right there beside them...to the applause of the adoring crowd. That's...what brings us back.

That and the remembrance of our youthful attempts, of horses we've known, of friends we've rode with. We see Billy Etbauer, our Mickey Mantle, Walt Woodward, our Nolan Ryan, Trevor Brazile, our Tiger Woods, and Taos Muncy, our LaBron James.

We support rodeo because it is ours, no matter how it changes. If it takes Las Vegas to make it a major sport, we welcome it, glitz and all.

But we gray-haired fans from America's Outback, where we still punch cows and team rope on Thursday night, appreciate the animals and contestants at the NFR on a much deeper level. One man, one horse, one bovine. We know how it feels, how hard it is, and how good the contestants have to be to get there. They represent the best of what we stand for, for all the world to see. Sometimes it sends chills down my spine.

Víva Las Vegas!

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...

but possibly of interest

The dumbing of America

There is plenty of evidence to suggest we are becoming a nation of morons ...

Case 1: In a recent TV commercial, two brothers are sitting on a couch and the older brother is offering his younger sibling his guide to life. The most important piece of advice the older brother has is always order chili on your nachos.

Case 2: In another TV ad, a father shares his wisdom with his son ... always save the edge of the pizza crust that is filled with cheese until last.

Case 3: On Thanksgiving, before most folks sat down to their turkey dinner, people started queuing up outside an area shopping mall. Some shops in the mall planned to open at 2 a.m. the day after Thanksgiving. The first few hundred people to enter the mall were supposed to get special gifts (mostly discount coupons and samples). By midnight an estimated 10,000 people were waiting outside the mall, in freezing temperatures. Some of the people got rowdy. There was some pushing and shoving. The police were called to the scene.

Nobody was arrested at the mall, but the next day the TV news people were asking why it took the police so long to respond to the calls. I suspect the cops probably were caught unprepared because they didn't believe there were people stupid enough to stand in line outside a mall, for hours, on a holiday, in sub-freezing temperatures, just to be among the first through the door to buy things that will be even cheaper the week before Christmas.

Actually, the police probably were not totally surprised. Officers spend most of their time trying to control stupidity. If there weren't stupid people, there wouldn't be much need for cops. The thing the protectors of the peace weren't prepared for was the sheer magnitude of public stupidity.

One young man who was waiting in line said he didn't mind because he is used to standing in line. That's one of the reasons our world is in the shape it is in today. American society is line-based. People wait in line, sometimes for hours, to get into popular restaurants or clubs. People also wait in line in their cars at drive-up windows when they could do their business in half the time if they parked their cars and walked inside the buildings.

Then, there's the pajama thing.

We were walking through a store. Ahead of us was a younger woman, wearing a coat (a good idea because of the outside temperatures), flip flops with no stockings (that sort of canceled out the coat) and what appeared to be pajama bottoms.

A twenty-something young woman I know tells me wearing pajamas in public is the trendy thing in some circles. She said some teen girls even wear them to school.

Call me old-fashioned. Call me a prude. Call me whatever you like. But when I was in school guys could be sent home to change if their jeans were dirty and girls could face the same fate if the hems of their dresses didn't touch the floor when they were kneeling. Granted, those old skirt rules may have been extreme, but I personally don't think it's asking too much that women don't go shopping, or to school, in their pajamas.

The best way to cure the pajamas-in-public fad might be to simply tell the truth. If you see a woman wearing pajamas while shopping, just politely say something like, "Pardon me, Miss. But I just have to say you look like crap in those pajamas." Some gals might take that as a compliment but, most, I think, would take the hint.

I believe 2008 will be another long year for members of my generation.



Anti-grazing groups really are exclusionists

by Michael F. Hanley IV

Judge B. Lynn Winmill's sage-grouse decision comes as no surprise. What concerns me is there appears to be nothing we could do about it.

The cycle begins with a lawsuit against the Bureau of Land Management. The judge rules and orders BLM to comply. He sets rules along with a deadline. BLM alters management to accommodate the order. The judge then takes the hide off the BLM for not complying. This in turn forces we permittees to defend ourselves, individually or as interveners on behalf of the BLM.

There is a misconception that Jon Marvel and contemporaries are environmentalists, but by deed and fact a different picture emerges.

Dave Foreman, co-founder of Earth First, made the statement, "The wilderness

movement should be used as a means to reconstruct society as we now know it." Bill Marlett, Marvel's counterpart in Oregon, is on record as saying, "Oregon has a population of 3 million. That is 2 million too many. I would like to see a population of 1 million made up of quality people."

After a BLM hearing in Boise, Marvel came up to me and said, "Whatever it takes to get rid of you and your cows." I asked, "How can I take that?" and he replied, "Anyway you want to."

When challenged, Marvel and Co. become indignant.

One condescendingly replied after I asked him what his goal was: "I suppose you're going to call me a communist." I told him, "Absolutely not. If you were a communist Russian-style you'd be in an insane asylum. You aren't a socialist because they advocate sharing the wealth.

"From my experience with you and your co-horts it appears...

- "1. You believe in a strong central government
- "2. Power in the hands of select few achieved through suppression of opposition
- "3. You also want the masses to work for the central government for the benefit of the selected few

"The form of government you appear to favor was put into practice by a little man with a funny mustache and resulted in disaster for all it touched including

- Michael F. Hanley IV is a rancher and historian living in Jordan Valley.





Commentary

Accuracy In Media

CNN and Hillary Clinton destabilize Pakistan

by Cliff Kincaid

In the wake of Benazir Bhutto's assassination, Wolf Blitzer of CNN made much of an e-mail, exclusively provided to him by a close associate of Bhutto and a Hillary Clinton supporter, casting blame on Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf for her murder. We can now understand why Musharraf's Nov. 3 state-of-emergency decree took foreign news outlets like CNN off the air. Musharraf, who is one of the main targets of al-Qaida, recognizes that the socalled "CNN effect" in global affairs can destabilize foreign governments, including his own. It's no wonder he recently complained about being betrayed by the Western media.

Now, with Hillary Clinton appearing on Blitzer's show one day later, to complain about a "blank check" for Musharraf and the "failed policies" of the Bush administration, the Democratic Party agenda is out in the open — overthrow the government of Pakistan, no matter what comes after it. This is the recipe that brought the Mullahs to power in Iran under Democrat Jimmy Carter's administration. It could bring al-Qaida to power in Pakistan, with control over dozens of nuclear weapons, if President Bush doesn't get control of his State Department and the CIA.

"Happening now — breaking news," Blitzer breathlessly declared on Thursday. "Benazir Bhutto holds Pakistan's president responsible for her assassination in an e-mail sent only weeks before her death. We're going to bring you an exclusive look at that never-before-seen e-mail and an interview with the man who received and who let me in on his chilling secret."

Blitzer understood the impact of his words. "We want to welcome our viewers in the United States and around the world," he said, knowing such an explosive report could lead to the further loss of life (19 people had died in Pakistan $\,$ in riots following the Bhutto death as of Dec. 28).

It was an incendiary charge. Blitzer called it "my exclusive report on Benazir Bhutto casting blame for her own assassination two months before it happened." If killed, she reportedly said in the e-mail, "I would hold Musharraf responsible. I have been made to feel insecure by his minions ..."

But Musharraf, under U.S. pressure, was forced to let her back in the country. Musharraf had to withdraw Interpol notices for her arrest on corruption charges. She is reportedly worth more than \$1 billion and has been linked to the U.N.'s oil-for-food scandal.

He knew — and she knew — that she would also be in danger from the same al-Qaida forces that have targeted

Musharraf himself. (Musharraf is a target because he has rounded up hundreds of suspected al-Qaida terrorists, including some directly involved in 9/11, and has turned them over to the U.S.)

Choosing to blame Musharraf for her murder (in advance of it happening) is about as rational as appearing openly at crowds with thousands of people and then departing in a car with her head poking through a sunroof. This was clearly reckless conduct on her part. But this gross error has been compounded by Hillary now calling for some kind of international investigation. On the Blitzer show, she even suggested that Interpol take the lead, when it was Interpol that had issued the notice for Bhutto's arrest.

When Blitzer brought up some of the facts about Bhutto's open-air campaigning to Mark Siegel, the source of his controversial e-mail, he replied that "Benazir Bhutto believed in democracy and she believed in speaking to the people. It's not reckless to go out and touch the people. Don't blame the victim for the crime..."

But it was Bhutto blaming Musharraf for the crime — in advance of it happening. And CNN was circulating her irrational statement to a worldwide audience.

Blitzer's exploitation of this e-mail was unconscionable. The real story is not whether Bhutto would irrationally blame Musharraf for her possible death, but where this email came from and why it was being released at this time. It was like pouring gasoline on a fire. To his credit, Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) noted, like Bush, that Musharraf has been a reliable partner of the U.S. in the war on al-Qaida terrorism. He has compared himself to Abraham Lincoln holding America together as a sovereign entity and using emergency powers during the Civil War.

Musharraf is sometimes labeled a "military dictator" who doesn't deserve U.S. support. But we have to remember that he seized power from a Pakistani prime minister, Nawaz Sharif, who reportedly accepted bribes from Osama bin Laden and presided over the building of Pakistan's nuclear bomb. Under U.S. pressure, Sharif is now back in Pakistan as one of Musharraf's other political rivals.

With Hillary's appearance on Blitzer's show, one day after Siegel released the controversial Bhutto e-mail, it is clear that a network of Democratic Party officials is pursuing its own dangerous foreign policy agenda.

Siegel, who has endorsed Hillary for president, is a prominent member of a Democratic Party foreign policy network and served on the board of the federally funded National Democratic Institute (NDI), a group that promotes "democracy" in Pakistan. Siegel was a lobbyist and registered foreign agent for Bhutto (according to the Washington Post, Siegel was paid \$452,941 for one year's work) when she was prime minister, and his resumé includes work for President Jimmy Carter and Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.). Carter, you may recall, helped undermine and topple the Shah of Iran in the name of promoting human rights and democracy there. That gave us the fanatical Mullahs and their "peaceful" nuclear program.

Blitzer, on his show, referred to Siegel merely as Bhutto's "longtime friend" and "U.S. spokesman" and someone having a long "relationship" with her. He is much more than that, and Blitzer knows it.

Recently, former Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, a member of the NDI board of directors, gave testimony blasting Musharraf for allegedly not doing enough to ensure credible elections would be held in Pakistan.

Is the Democratic Party position that Musharraf should be toppled, in the same way Carter helped undermine the Shah? It is interesting to note that Democratic presidential candidate Bill Richardson, considered a possible running mate for Clinton, called for Musharraf to step down but didn't identify who his replacement ought to be. Yet, Richardson is supposed to have foreign policy experience.

Much of the socialist-oriented political platform of Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) reads like it was taken from the speeches of Democratic Party politicians. This mish-mash calls for "a synthesis of economic liberalism with a strong social democratic agenda" and has numerous references to making foreign policy decisions based on the U.N. Charter and U.N. agreements.

Not surprisingly, Democratic Party politicians and much of the liberal media have portrayed Musharraf as a villain and Bhutto as a martyr for human rights and democracy.

In order to accelerate this campaign to destabilize Pakistan, Bhutto's book, Reconciliation: Islam, Democracy and the West, is being rushed into print by HarperCollins, which is owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation. Ironically, Siegel told Blitzer that he helped write the book and that it is about how problems "within Islam and between Islam and the West" can be "reconciled peacefully, and in a way that promotes peace in the future."

Hillary and her allies in the Democratic Party and the media are doing anything but promoting peace. They are exploiting a tragic death in order to destabilize a U.S. ally.

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From Washington: Sen. Larry Craig

Energy reform requires patience, persistence

Is it just me, or has energy suddenly become mainstream? produce in Shelley as early as 2009. After three decades of policy work on energy independence and clean energy development, it appears the American public is taking note of energy again. Record-high gas prices, Middle East tensions, concern about the environment, and fear of inflation are dominating the headlines like it's the 1970s all over again.

Despite all the talk of what Congress did not accomplish last year, the good news is that we did pass a landmark energy bill, and funded many important energy priorities. All of this just in time for the holidays.

As President Bush signed our bipartisan energy bill to increase car gas mileage requirements and produce billions of gallons of homegrown biofuels, I had reason to be optimistic.

When combined with the 2005 energy bill that brought nuclear power back to life, the United States has reasserted itself as the world's leader in the development and production of clean and efficient energy.

For Idaho, the cleanest and cheapest energy state in the country, both bills mean we'll play a bigger role than ever in shaping the country's energy future. Half of the new mandated biofuels, at my insistence, will come from advanced biofuels like the cellulosic ethanol Iogen could

Iogen will produce fuels from wheat and barley straw independence. that will emit 80 percent fewer greenhouse gases than conventional gasoline. The plant will be built with loan guarantees I included in the 2005 energy bill and that were just funded in the omnibus appropriations bill. The omnibus bill also provides an unprecedented \$116 million for the Next Generation Nuclear Plant that will be constructed at the INL, along with the other research they do to ensure the safety of the current and future fleet of nuclear reactors.

Idaho's clean energy contributions are numerous: the new geothermal power plant near Malta; the expansion of windpower throughout the state; the solar power manufacturing plant in Pocatello; natural gas from dairy waste near Rupert; and possibly a new nuclear power plant Idaho is the clean energy state.

If our quality of life depends somewhat on striking the right balance between energy and the environment, then nobody has a better quality of life than Idahoans. That's why I have taken energy, natural resources, and the environment so seriously throughout my time in Congress. The legislation I have offered and the committees on which I have served have been focused on a single, elusive, yet compelling goal — energy

For a country that relies on foreign sources for more than 60 percent of our transportation fuels, independence is a goal few see as achievable. But my commitment for 2008, my last year

in office, is to lead a discussion on what it would take, and what it would mean, for our country to truly strive for independence within the next few decades.

We talked about it in the '70s, but gave up when OPEC lowered oil prices in the '80s. We can't afford to make that mistake again.

For those who don't think we should try, I'll throw out one more optimistic challenge — I believe that we can become independent in a way that is cleaner than today's energy mix, and we can get there without paying more than we do today. It is going to take enormous political courage and compromise, but stay tuned, don't change that dial, because more than anything else, it is going to require the undivided attention of the American people.

Larry Craig is a Republican U.S. senator from



Public notices

Bid Notice

The Owyhee County Fair Board will be accepting bids on the construction of a livestock barn at the Owyhee County fairgrounds, 2909 W. Nevada Avenue, Homedale, ID. Building description to be bid is a 120' x 100' x 12'4" metal building with open walls, and shall be built as a continuance of the existing livestock barn currently in place on the fairgrounds. Bid should include concrete piers and pads, freight, engineering, drafting and permit fees, tax, and site prep for the building. Construction must be complete by August 1, 2008, and all current building codes

Sealed bids must be mailed to the Owyhee County Fair Office c/o Kelly Haun at P.O. Box 695 Homedale, ID, 83628, and received no later than Wednesday February 6, 2008. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on Monday, February 11, 2007, at approximately 11 A.M. at the Owyhee County Court House, 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, ID, during a regularly scheduled Commissioners meeting. Owyhee County may reject any or all bids.

1/9/08

CALL FOR BIDS FOR SCHOOL BUS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Jt. School District No. 370, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one (1) 2009 71passenger school bus (complete body and chassis).

Bid documents and detailed specifications are available at the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday until day of bid opening.

Bids must be submitted on or before 9:00 a.m. on February 6, 2008 to the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Board of Trustees reserve the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof of any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period exceeding thirty days.

/s/Faith K. Olsen, Board Clerk 1/9.16/08

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-07-0480 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

OWYHEE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUNIOR MAX COLLETT, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 10 day of

December, 2007. U.S. BANK, N.A. By /s/Mike Sullivan, Vice President and Managing

PO Box 7928 Boise, ID 83707 (208) 383-7217 James P. Kaufman RINGERT CLARK **CHARTERED** 455 South Third St. PO Box 2773 Boise, ID 83701 (208) 342-4591 Fax (208) 342-4657 ISB# 1567

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS **CASE NO. CV 07-0377** IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF **OWYHEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF, JACK DAVID DICKEY, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of the above-named Decedent. All persons having claims against the Decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative in care of the attorney indicated below, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 28th day of September, 2007.

McAnaney & Associates,

/s/Ronald G. Carson, Jr., of the Firm

Attorney for Personal Representative David S. Dickey 1101 W. River St., Ste 100 Boise, ID 83702 (208) 344-7500 1/2,9,16/08

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Loan No: 0021959085 T.S. No.: 07-11240-ID On 4/4/2008 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of Owyhee County courthouse, Murphy, ID.. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee on behalf of Option One Mortgage Corporation will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Exhibit A A Parcel of land in the southwest quarter of section 20, township 3 north, range 5 west of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 20, township 3 north, range 5 west of the Boise Meridian, the real point of beginning; thence south along the west boundary line of said section 20 a distance of 178 feet; thence east a distance of 389 feet; thence north a distance of 178 feet to a point on the north line of said southwest quarter of the northwest quarter; thence west along the north line of said southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, a distance of 389 feet to the real point of beginning The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the

above referenced real property,

but for the purposes of compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 4444 Homestead RD Homedale, ID 836283646, is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Kathleen M. Biery and Shawn T. Biery, wife and husband, As grantors, To: First American Title Insurance Company, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of H & R Block Mortgage Coporation, a Massachusetts Corporation assigned to Option One Mortgage Corporation, recorded 9/22/2006 as Instrument No. 258209, as Beneficiary, dated 7/25/2006, recorded 07/31/2006, as Instrument No. 257481, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 7/25/2006. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1,164.62 due per month from 9/1/2007 through 4/4/2008, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$179,228.92, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.35% per annum from 8/1/2007 All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 12/5/2007 By: First American Title Insurance Company By Allnation Default Services, Its Duly Authorized Agent 4665 MacArthur Court Suite 250 Newport Beach, CA 92660 949-252-2800 Lisa Bradford, Trustee Sale Officer P342548

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FWG-47702 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 11, 2008, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, IN THE LOBBY OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE. LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit: ALL THAT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE, STATE OF IDAHO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 21, BLOCK 1, ROYAL VISTA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO,

ANNUAL ROAD & STREET FINANCIAL REPORT CITY OF MARSING MARSING, OWYHEE GEM HIGHWAY

This certified report of dedicated funds is here by submitted to the State Auditor as required by 40-708, Idaho Code.

Dated this 27th day of December, 2007 Attest: Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk

Donald D. Osterhoudt, Mayor FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007 Beginning balance as of October 1 pervious year Property tax levy (for roads, streets & bridges) 22433. 2023. Interest income Total local funding STATE FUNDING SOURCES 24456. Highway user revenue 38512. Sales tax/inventory replacement tax 6584. 7484. Sales tax/revenue sharing 52580. Total state funding Total receipts 77036. ROUTINE MAINTENANCE 3347. Patching Snow removal 528. Grading/blading 2318. Other (specify-including salaries & benefits) 23638. Total routine maintenance 29831. **EQUIPMENT** 4000. New equipment purchase-automotive, heavy, other Equipment lease-equipment purchase 1000. Equipment maintenance 1460. Other- street signs 487. Total equipment 6947. **ADMINISTRATION** 9827. Administrative salaries and expenses Street lighting 6050. 2695. Professional services-audit, clerical, & legal Professional services – engineering 3062. 11807. Total other TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 58412. RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS 77036. CLOSING BALANCE 18624. Funds obligated for specific future projects – Chip Seal Oil 18624. **ENDING BALANCE** -0-1/9/07

ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED APRIL 4, 2002 AS INSTRUMENT NO 239203, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 3047 ROYAL VISTA COURT real property. HOMEDALE, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by WILLIAM W CULVER. JŘ AND KRISTINA L CULVER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to INVESTORS TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MULTI-STATE HOME LENDING, INC. as Beneficiary, dated 8/15/2006, recorded 8/21/2006, under Instrument No. 257776, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by WM SPECIALTY MORTGAGE LLC. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of

Trust Note dated 8/15/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 3/1/2007 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of December 5, 2007 Delinquent Payments from March 01, 2007 10 payments at \$2, 272.50 each \$22, 725.00 (03-01-07 through 12-05-07) Late Charges: \$795.41 Beneficiary Advances: \$45.00 Suspense Credit: \$0 00 TOTAL: \$23,565.41 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$270,000.00, together with interest thereon at 10.100% per annum from 2/1/2007, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 12/5/2007. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Trust Officer (Name (Title) c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www. rtrustee.com ASAP# 953446 1/9,16,23,30/08

Read all about it in the Avalanche!

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S

Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 18, 2007 File No.: 7777.25160 Sale date and time (local time): April 18, 2008 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 506 Cascade Dr. Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Tarry Meligan and Jennifer Meligan, husband and wife Original trustee: Fidelity National Title Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Home Funds Direct Recording date: October 12, 2006 Recorder's instrument number: 258462 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 18, 2007: \$172,217.61 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: All that certain land situated in the State of ID, County of Owyhee, City of Homedale, described as follows: Lot 4 of Block 4 of Big Sky Estates No. One, part of Government Lot 4, Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed October 26, 1978 as Instrument No. 156593 in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.25160) 1002.81253-

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S **SALE** Loan No: 0019932383 T.S. No.: 07-11453-ID On 4/28/2008 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), At the entrance to First American Title 168 W. Pacific Blackfoot, ID 83221. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company as Trustee on behalf of Option One Mortgage Corporation will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot(s) 3, 4, 5 of block 14 of Grand View Townsite, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for the purposes of

compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 205 2nd St. Grandview, ID 83624, is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Kirk S Oemig and Hazel I Oemig, husband and wife, As grantors, To: First American Title Insurance Company as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Option One Mortgage Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 11/15/2005, recorded 11/22/2005, as Instrument No. 254224, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 11/15/2005. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$628.79 due per month from 10/1/2007 through 4/28/2008, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this

date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$60,510.15. plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.65% per annum from 9/1/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 12/26/2007 By: First American Title Insurance Company By AllNation Default Services, its Duly Authorized Agent 4665 MacArthur Court Suite 250 Newport Beach, CA 92660 949-252-2800 Lisa Bradford, Authorized Signor P349785 1/9,16,23,30/08

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 5, 2007 File No.: 7777.25066 Sale date and time (local time): April 07, 2008 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 727 Marion Drive HOMEDALE, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009

(425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Kenneth Roberts, an unmarried man Original trustee: Stewart Title of Nampa Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Ownit Mortgage Solutions, Inc. Recording date: August 24, 2005 Recorder's instrument number: 253163 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 5, 2007: \$82,395.09 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the

Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Lot 7 in Block Tof Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho No. 1, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at <u>www.northwesttrustee.com</u> or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.25066) 1002.80448-

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Crossroads

Assembly of God

Wilder

Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644

Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am

Sunday Evening Worship 6pm

Wed. Bible Study 7pm

Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Church

1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell

459-3653

Mass:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm

Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

Owyhee County Church Directory

Knight Community Church

Grand View

Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service 10:45 a m

Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Knight's Neighborhood:

(Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm

Wilder - Homedale

17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464

Pastor: John Beck

Sunday School 9:35 am

Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays

Adult Sunday School: 8:30 am

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm

Snake River Valley Fellowship Wilder/Homedale

16613 Garnet Road Sunday 10 am Worship 475-3733 or 880-8962 Pastor Robert Cooperstein

Friends Community Assembly of God Church

Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm

Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm

Church

Chapel of Hope Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale - 337-4248

Sunday Services 10am Rev. Ross Shaver, Pastor Youth and Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am Wed. Adult Bible Study 7-8:30pm Visitors Always Welcome!

Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church

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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale

708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwavne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm

Homedale Baptist Church Homedale

212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls

Wilder Church of God Wilder

205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm

Iglesia Evangelica Wilder

317 3rd st.,

Pastor Ramiro Reves

10 am Sunday School

11 am Service

482-7484

Bilingual

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder

337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm

Marsing Church of Christ Marsing

932 Franklin, Marsing

Minister Gib Nelson

Sunday Bible Study 10am

Sunday Worship 11am

MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing

221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez 896-5552 or 371-3516 y School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service ursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Españo

Christian Church

Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45

Bible Missionary Church

Homedale West Idaho, 337-4437 Pastor Paul Miller Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30

Assembly of God Church

Marsing

139 Kerry, 896-4294 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm

Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing

Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 7-8pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 7pm-8pm

Nazarene Church Marsing

Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Teen Services Sundays 7:00 pm Sunday School - 9:45am

Mid Week TLC Groups

Trinity Holiness Church

119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm

Church of Jesus Christ of **Latter Day Saints**

Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Streibel Sunday 2nd Ward, 9 a.m. Bishop Payne

Vision Community Church Marsing

221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church Wilder

Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am

Calvary Holiness Church First **Presbyterian Church**

Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am

Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave.

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon

Seventh Day Adventist Homedale

16613 Garnet Rd. 880-0902 or 453-9289 Pastor Chuck Dimick Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm

Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale

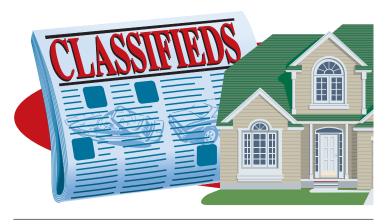
711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am

Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana

2007 Mass Schedule the following Saturdays at 9:30am Jan. 27 - Feb. 17 - March 10 - April 28 May 12 - June 9 - July 21 - Aug. 11 Sept. 8 - Oct. 13 - Nov. 24 - Dec. 22 For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031

Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC

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HELP WANTED Bruneau-Grand View Joint

School District No. 365 will be accepting applications for the following position: Assistant Cook at Grand View Elementary. Position Open Until Filled. The position shall be considered in all respects "Employment at will". Classified application may be obtained on the school district web site at www.sd365.us or at the District Office in Grand View. For more information contact: JayDene Aquiso, Food Service Supervisor P.O. Box 158, Bruneau, ID 83604 jaquiso@ sd365.us Web site - sd365.us 845-2492 fax 845-2495

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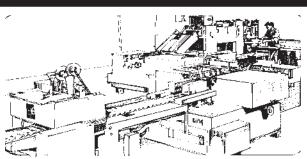
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